

1792: Birth of a Nation's Coinage

Addenda – Revised 11-9-2023

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The Addenda includes the following:

1. Material cut from the manuscript because of space limitations.
2. Listings of new coins reported since publication.
3. Changes in pedigrees since publication including catalogs found on the Newman Numismatic Portal.
4. Corrections and comments suggested by readers.
5. Whatever else we choose to include.

Chapter 1

An article by David McCarthy in the August 2017 issue of *The Numismatist* identified the “plain obverse” Quint (type 2) as the first American Coin. He quoted Robert

Morris writing on April 2, 1783, “I sent for Mr. Dudley who delivered me a piece of silver coin, being the first that has been struck as an American coin.”¹

Chapter 3

The Washington Cents

Page 38 [BOANC X-1] Hancock/Westwood, Large Eagle, Lettered Edge, Copper.

Eric P. Newman Collection, Heritage 11/7/2018, lot 15005, NGC MS-63, Brown, @ [\$3,500 Hammer] \$4,200.

PCGS MS-63 BN. Stack's Bowers 10/31/2018, lot 7121 @ 3,120.

Page 38 [BOANC X-5] Hancock/Westwood, Small Eagle, Lettered Edge, Copper.

PCGS MS-65+ BN. Heritage 7/17, lot 3349 @ \$7,637.50.

PCGS MS-64 BN. Heritage 8/18. Lot 3321 @ \$ 3,840.

NGC MS-64 BN. Heritage 8/2018, lot 3022 @ \$ 3,480.

PCGS AU-55. Stack's 9/1975, lot 547; Archangel Collection, Stack's Bowers 10-26-2018, lot 7129 @ \$1,380.

PCGS MS-65. Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 3823 @ \$ 4,080.

The Roman Head Cents

Page 46 New Item, Not in BOANC
PCGS PR66+BN 731.66+/41217648

Pedigree: Heritage 1/14/2022, lot 4562 @ [\$120,000 hammer] \$144,000.

Page 46 New Item, Not in BOANC. NGC PR65 BN.

Pedigree: Stack's 5/5/1993, lot 56, 198.9 gns.; Jon Hanson; Donald G. Patrick; Heritage 1/20/21 lot 3947 @ [\$90,000 hammer] \$108,000.

Page 46, item 2, the Taxay / Howard coin.

Add to Pedigree: Heritage, 8/14/2019, lot 3658 @ (\$72,500 hammer) \$87,000; Rare Coin Wholesalers; offered on eBay October 2019 @ \$141,800.

PCGS 731.65/40262486 CAC offered by Rare Coin Wholesalers on eBay in March to July 2021 @ \$144,400; offered on eBay by Rare Coin Wholesalers in August 2022 @ \$161,700.

Page 46, item 3, the Newman coin. Add to pedigree: Bonham's 6/11/2018, lot 28, @ \$108,000. Lot description includes, “the die work is by young 17-year old John Gregory Hancock, a precocious young lad who was producing advanced die work before he reached double digits in age.”

NGC PF 65 RB 2046367-002 offered on eBay by Rare Coin Wholesalers in June 2019 @ \$157,000.

NGC PF 65 RB 4627833-002 CAC offered on eBay by Rare Coin Wholesalers in March to June 2021 @ \$149,700. Offered on eBay in July 2021 @ \$152,300.

PCGS PF 65 RB 732.65/43643925 offered on eBay by Rare Coin Wholesalers in August 2022 @ \$230,500.

Page 46, item 10, NGC 5068763-003; Add to pedigree: PCGS PR08 731.08/037986660

Julian Kaufman Collection: Heritage 1/4/2018, lot 4723 at [15,000 hammer] \$18,000.

Page 46, item 11, ex Roper 378. Now in PCGS PR66BN 731.66/35782610

Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers The Archangel Collection 10/26/2018, lot 7124 @ [\$95,000 Hammer] \$114,000.

New item, Not in BOANC. NGC PF 40 BN 5446961-009

Donald G. Partrick Collection; Heritage 4/21/2021, lot 3040 at [\$27,000] \$32,400.

Getz Cents

Page 47 [BOANC-X-8] Small Eagle, Plain Edge, Silver.

Eric P. Newman Collection; Heritage 11/7/2018, lot 15009, XF, @ [120,000 Hammer] \$144,000; Robert Rodriguez, Resolute Americana Collection.

PCGS XF40 925.40/35743547; John G. Mills collection; S.H. & H. Chapman 4/1904; Garrett collection; Bowers and Ruddy 3/1981, lot 1714. Alan Weinberg Collection; Heritage 1/10/2019. Lot 4305, @ [100,000 Hammer] \$120,000.

PCGS VF Details 925.84/26641805, 209.9 grains. B. G. Johnson; M. F. Schulman 4/1951, lot 1081; F.C.C. Boyd; Ted L. Craig; Stack's Bowers 1/2013, lot 11496 (\$45,000 hammer) \$52,875; Heritage 8/14/19, lot 3660 @ (\$9000 hammer) \$10,800.

Page 47-48 BOANC X13 and X14 are incorrectly identified as Baker 24. They are actually Baker 25.

Page 47 [BOANC X13] Small Eagle, Narrow Flan, Copper PCGS AU58+ 921.58+/35743546. The holder shows the pedigree as Mills-Garrett-Weinberg. This would be the pedigree for the Weinberg lot 4305.

Pedigree: Richard Picker collection; Stack's 10/1984, lot 310; Alan Weinberg Collection, Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4304 @ [\$100,000 Hammer] \$120,000.

Another example: PCGS MS61BN 921.61/36057633 Pedigree: Charles Ira Bushnell; S.H. & H. Chapman 6/1882, lot 1252; Lorin G. Parmelee; New York Coin & Stamp 6/1890, lot 617; William S. Baker; Dorothy Gershensen; Steve Ivy; Bowers & Ruddy 12/1977, lot 5097; Heritage 2/1/2019, lot 3490 @ [\$60,000 hammer] \$72,000..

PCGS VF30 921.30/36014037. Pedigree: Matthew A. Stickney; Henry Chapman 6/1907, lot 395; Gilbert Steinberg, Stack's 5/1992, lot 4; Benson Collection; Goldberg 2/2001, lot 122; Eugene H. Gardner; Heritage 6/2014, lot 30001; Anthony Bettencourt; Stack's Bowers 3/2017, lot 398; Heritage 8/14/19, lot 3659 @ (\$13,500 hammer) \$16,200.

Page 48 [Not properly described in BOANC] Getz Small Eagle, Copper, Ornamental Edge, circles and squares. Baker 25D.

New Netherlands, privately 11/13/1961; Eric P. Newman Collection; Heritage 11/7/2018, lot 15008, XF Details, @ [17,000 Hammer] \$20,400.

Jacob Perkins "Stars Over Eagle" Speculative Issue.



Page 49 [BOANC X-15] Stars Over Eagle, Lettered Edge, Gold. NGC XF-45* 2083152-008, 250.2 gr.

Described as Eric Newman's favorite coin, gold eagle pattern, and possibly George Washington's pocket piece, it was offered by Heritage on 8/16/2018 as lot 5010. It had a hammer price of \$1,450,000 and final price of \$1,740,000. The buyer was not named. [Seen by author (PS) on 8/14/2018]

Page 49 [BOANC X-17] Stars Over Eagle, Plain Edge, Copper.

Eric P. Newman Collection; Heritage 11/7/2018, lot 15006, XF Details, @ [\$30,000 Hammer] \$36,000.

Page 49 [BOANC X-18] Stars Over Eagle, Lettered Edge, Silver.

Richard Picker; Eric P. Newman Collection;
Heritage 11/7/2018, lot 15007, XF Details, @

[\$170,000] \$204,000; Heritage 8/14/19, lot 3657 @
(\$120,000) \$144,000.

Chapter 5

How did Henry Voigt / Voight spell his name? Perhaps the answer can be found with the ads he ran in the *Freeman's Journal*.



HENRY VOIGT
In Second-street nearly opposite the Buck-Tavern
above Race-street.

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends in particular, and the public in general, that he carries on the watch-making business, in all its branches, such as making all sorts of new watches, upon all the principles which they can be made on in Europe, &c. He flatters himself, that from his past experience, he shall be able to convince all those who may be pleased to employ him, that he has made some improvements on watches, which will be of great utility. He likewise carries on a watch-cafe and watch-hand making business, in all sorts of metal. Watch-makers in the country, or in any other part, may be supplied on the shortest notice. Watches and watch-cafes gilt; clocks, watches and watch-cafes repaired at the most reasonable rates.



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Ad May 13, 1789

Ad September 9, 1789

What was the name of Voigt's wife?

A death notice was published in the (Philadelphia) Public Ledger of October 31, 1838.

"Died, On the 29th inst. Mrs. Margaret Voigt, in the 87th year of her age, widow of Henry Voigt, late Chief Coiner in the U. S. Mint, Philadelphia."



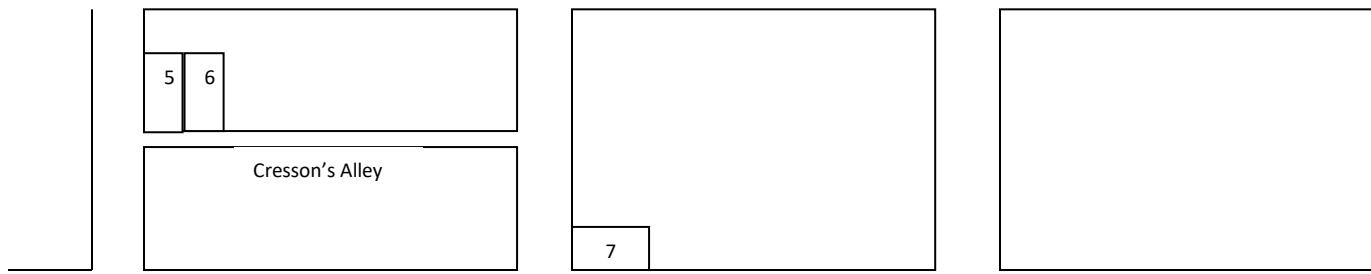
While doing research on Voigt, this image was found on a United States commercial website. The caption

indicates that it is a picture of Henry Voigt. It has been copied to other websites as an example of colonial era coining methods.

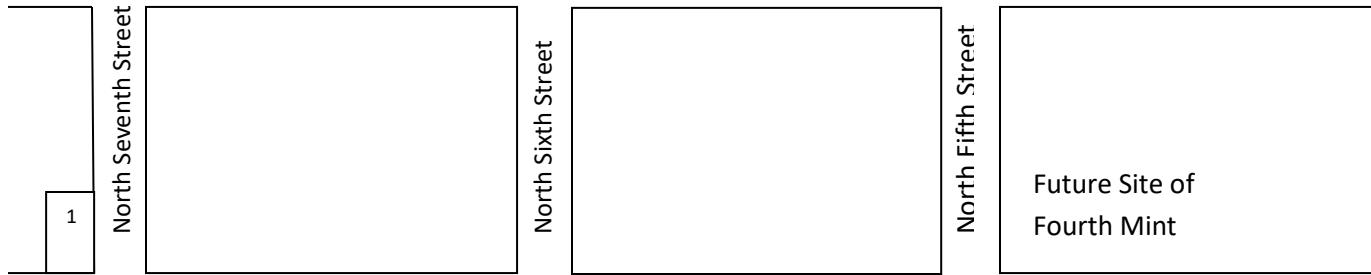
The picture is also found on a site for King John's Castle in Limerick, Ireland, related to thirteenth century coinage in Ireland. The source for the image is not identified, but it is appropriate for that era.

The map on the following page was produced as an illustration for BOANC but not used.

Sassafras (Race) Street

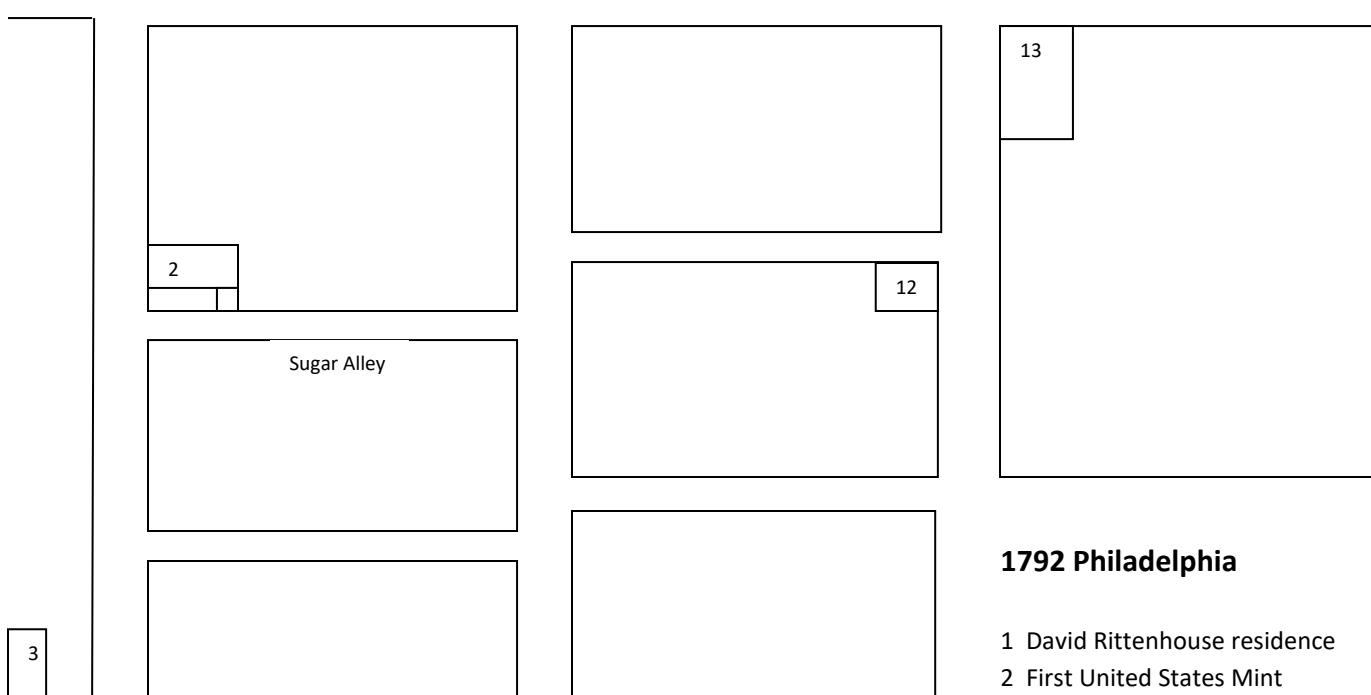


Cherry Street



Future Site of
Fourth Mint

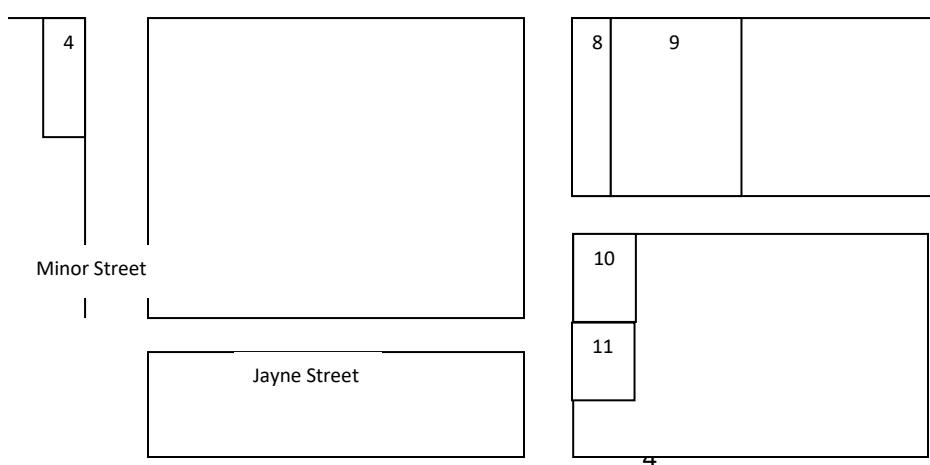
Mulberry (Arch) Street



1792 Philadelphia

- 1 David Rittenhouse residence
- 2 First United States Mint
- 3 Department of State (1790-1793)
- 4 Declaration House
- 5 John Dalton, silversmith
- 6 George Burdock, silversmith
- 7 John Harper residence
- 8 Robert Morris residence
- 9 The President's House
- 10 David Clark coach shop
- 11 Department of Foreign Affairs (1782)
- 12 Jacob Eckfeldt blacksmith shop
- 13 Christ Church Burial Ground

High (Market) Street



Chestnut Street

Chapter 7

Page 132 states, “Thus there are 166 confirmed surviving 1792 half dismes.” Since publication, two of these have been found to be duplicates. New discoveries bring the total identified up to 186 as of 7-1-2021. Two additional pieces have been reported by owners but descriptions are not available.

Page 135 William Eckberg contributed an article to the June, 2017, issue of *The Numismatist*. He demonstrated that a hub was used to prepare the die for the 1792 disme patterns and that the same hub was used to produce two dies for the 1793 half cents. He attributes the hub and these dies to the hand of Henry

Chapter 8

Page 149-150 Coin 68-1 [Cardinal]

The coin was sold in a private transaction to The Dazzling Rarities Collection for \$1,985,000 about September 2018.

Page 150 Coin 67-1 [Brand / Starr]

Saul Teichman suggests this additional pedigree: Cogan / Bangs April 7, 1863, lot 1076 @ \$30; Hollis Page, 9/14/1895; Dr. Thomas Hall, 9/7/09; Virgil M. Brand, (journal 49986 445)

Page 152 Coin 65-1 [Cleneay]

Extended Pedigree:
Thomas Cleneay (1809-1887);
S. H. & H. Chapman 12/13/1890, lot 1627 (Plate VII)
\$28.50;
John Story Jenks;
Henry Chapman 12/7/1921, lot 5568 (Plate) \$ 92.50;
H. E. Rawson;
B. Max Mehl 12/22/1922, lot 318 \$60;
Virgil M. Brand, (journal 125168).

From 1989 until 2016, the coin was in a PCGS holder that obscured the edge making plate matching difficult. The 2017 plate showed that the eagle had been shot in the chest, or had a center dot not previously seen.

Previously offered by Heritage 8/12/2015 as lot 3977, did not meet reserve. Certified as PCGS MS-65 11020.65/06174822 [Certified 5/30/1989]. Certified as PCGS MS-66 11020.66/81936443.

Offered by Heritage at 2017 FUN 1/5/2017, lot. 5563 @ (\$420,000 hammer) \$493,500.

Page 153 Coin 65-2, the Garrett coin, offered on eBay in 2016 at \$729,800. Offered on eBay in January 2017 at \$682,500. Concurrently offered on Collectors

Corner by Rare Coin Wholesalers at \$650,000, reduced to \$595,000. Concurrently on Rare Coin Wholesales website at \$595,000. Offered on eBay in April 2017 to December 2018 @ \$624,800. On eBay in January to March 2019 at \$656,300. Concurrently on Collectors Corner at \$625,000.

In the January 29, 2018, episode of *Pawn Stars*, Walt Husak offered to sell the Garrett 1792 half disme to shop owner Rick Harrison. Harrison declined the offer. Husak never owned the coin which was provided by Rare Coin Wholesalers.

Page 154 Coin 64-1 [Liberty]

Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers 8/16/2023, lot 5022 @ [\$365,000 hammer] \$438,000.



Page 155 Coin 64-3 PCGS MS-64

11020.64/50053468 [Certified 5/30/2003]

Add to pedigree: [Possibly] George L. Tilden; Thomas Elder June 22-25, 1921, lot 2029 @ 62; Stack's Bowers 6/21/2018, lot 1221, reserve of \$250,000 not met. Goldberg 6/3/2019, lot 750 at [\$370,000 hammer] \$444,000.

Seen with Tyrant Collection shown at 2021 ANA World's Fair of Money. Seen by author (PS) on 8/11/2021.

Page 155 Coin 64-5 [Bartlett]

NGC MS-64 1848581-001 [certified 5/9/2006] active in April 2017. PCGS MS-64 11020.64/27259563 [certified 2/12/2013] also active in April 2017.

PCGS MS-64 11020.64/38241046 Great Collections 3/14/2021, lot 954946. Failed to make reserve of \$320,000. Great Collections 10/23/2022, lot 1253522 @ [\$355,000 hammer] \$399,375.

Page 156 Coin 64-6 [Madison / Pogue]

Offered on eBay in June, 2017 @ \$452,400 by David Lawrence Rare Coins, about \$100,000 less than when offered on eBay by DLRC two years earlier. Listing ended 7/1/2017.

Page 156 Coin 63-1

Add to pedigree:
Henry Chapman 12/7/1921, lot 6059.

Page 156 Coin 63-2

Add to pedigree: Heritage 6/17/2021, lot 3061 @ [\$210,000 hammer] \$252,000. Offered on eBay by nummum December 2021 to April 2023 @ \$500,000. Offered on eBay by Fairfax Coins July 2023 @ \$500,000; offered in November 2023 @ \$550,000.

Page 157 Coin 62-1

The reverse photo was incorrectly a reuse of the reverse from coin 63-1. Below is the correct photo.



On December 11, 2019, it was discovered that coin 62-1 and 50-1 are the same coin. Below is the corrected pedigree.

New Netherlands 4/13/1951, lot 781 @ \$102.50 [XF]. Pine Tree Auction Galleries 6/19/1978. Lot 332A [At least borderline uncirculated]; Superior 1/29/1979, lot 666 [About Uncirculated 50]; Legend Numismatics, 2008 [MS-62]; Robert R. Simpson collection; Heritage 1/7/2016, lot 5294 [\$150,000 hammer] \$176,250.

Page 157 Coin 61-1

Certified NGC MS-61 1774572-001. [Certified 10/28/2004]

Page 157 Coin 61-2

Add recent sale: Heritage 8/2/2017, lot 3918 [\$125,000 hammer] \$146,875. Seen by author (PS) on 8/1/2017 during lot viewing.

Page 158 Coin 60-1 (Landau – Weinberg)

Now certified PCGS MS63+ 11020.63+/35744105 Add to Pedigree: Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4320 @ [\$240,000 Hammer] \$288,000 on a live bid.

Page 158 Coin UN-3 [Woodward 1867:1399]

Pedigree: Bertsch collection; William E. Woodward March 20, 1865, lot 2864 @ \$40; Francis S. Hoffman; William E. Woodward April 24-27, 1866, lot 2151 @ \$12; to Woodward; William E. Woodward April 18, 1867, lot 1399 @ \$25.25.

Described in 1865: "A splendid proof, a finer piece is not known."

Described in 1866: "splendid proof impression, the best offered at public sale, exceedingly rare in this condition."

Described in 1867: "In perfect uncirculated, nearly proof condition, believed to be the finest known, purchased in one of my sales by Mr. Hoffman for \$40."

Page 159 Coin UN-6 [Chapman 1885:1082]

The 1885 catalog shows an obverse plate only. The coin has a stain through the hair behind the eye. This is not seen on any modern coin image. If the coin was cleaned, it could not be matched with the Chapman plate.

The coin was described with "a plush-lined Russia leather case." This has also not been seen in recent sales.

Page 159 Coin UN-7 [New York Stamp & Coin 1890:2097]

The 1890 image is good quality with distinct features. It does not match any other known specimen.

Page 159 Coin UN-9 [Elder 1921:2029]

Possible match to coin 64-3, page 155.



Page 160 Coin UN-19, Now identified

PCGS MS-63 11020.63/35782547 CAC

Obverse and reverse well centered. Diagonal striations through dentilation at reverse K-7 to K-5. Well struck.

Early die state 1-A.

Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers, Archangel Collection, 10/26/2018, lot 7150 @ [\$200,000 Hammer] \$240,000. [seen by author (PS) 8/16/18] Coin 174 in the census.

Page 160 Coin 58-2

Add to pedigree:

Stack's 8/24/1976, lot 543 @ \$4,250;

Stack's 3/17/1978, lot 941 @ \$6,000.

Page 163 Coin 50-1

Merged with coin 62-1 on 12/11/2019.

Page 164 Coin 50-5 [Lemus]

This has tentatively been identified as the plate coin for Harold Newlin's *A Classification of the Early Dimes of the United States*.

Add to pedigree: John W. Haseltine April 10, 1883, lot 64, @ \$12.50.

Page 165 Coin 50-8

Offered by Kagin's Auctions 3/9/2017, lot 1143, [\$117,500 hammer] \$138,062.50. Described as "20th finest known example." It ranks among the 33rd to 43rd examples in the BOANC Census. NGC and PCGS list 59 finer examples.

After the auction, in April 2017 to July 2018, offered on eBay by Eagle Eye Rare Coins for \$164,300. On Eagle Eye website @ \$155,000. Offered on Collectors Corner @ \$155,000.

The Catskill Collection; Great Collections 7/12/2020, lot 846534 @ [\$137,618 hammer] \$154,820.25.

Page 166 Coin 50-10 [Sanders]

PCGS Genuine 11020.98.06866667 Certified 3/27/2009.

No pedigree in BOANC. Add to pedigree: B & D Sanders Collection; Heritage 5/3/2023, lot 3049 @ [\$57,500 hammer] \$69,000]

As of 4/15/2023, PCGS carries both 11020.98/13221971 and 11020.98.06866667 as active numbers.

Page 166 Coin 50-11 [Hilt]

NGC AU Details Obv Damage 4196522-001; NGC AU Details 4487297; certified three times in three years at the same grade.

Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers 8/16/2016, lot 3011, reserve of \$55,000 not met; Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4387 @ [\$55,000 Hammer] \$66,000.



Page 166 New Coin 50-12

NGC AU DETAILS 4488505-001

Obverse off center to K-9. Holed through obverse at about K-11.5; reverse K-12.5. Obverse deep dig in field before nose. Reverse dig at HA of HALF. Coin is bent. Reverse scratch between ES of STATES.

Early die state.

Pedigree: Stack's Bowers 10/25/2018, lot 2057 @ [\$34,000 Hammer] \$40,800.

Coin 175 in the census.



Page 166 New Coin 50-13

PCGS AU-50 11020.50/44390575; recertified in 2022, PCGS AU-50 11020.50/45535318

Obverse off center toward K-2. Reverse off center toward K-6. Fine scratch in field behind head of eagle. Ding in field between S I, ding at right diagonal of M.

Striations across cheek,
Late die state 4, contrary to that stated in S/B catalog. Strong evidence of ghost letters under A of HALF.

Pedigree: Mr. Volk; Empire Coin Co. private sale 10/1965 @ \$1275.00; Stack's Bowers 4/5/2022 Lot 3029 @ [\$110,000 hammer] \$132,000. Offered in September 2022 by Centurial @ \$216,999; on eBay in October to November 2022 @ \$209,999. Offered in December 2022 at \$204,999. Offered in January to March 2023 @ \$198,999. Offered in April 2023 @ \$218,999. Offered in July 2023 @ \$213,999.

Coin 190 in the Census.

Page 166 Coin 45-1 [Taylor]

Add to pedigree: Heritage 1/9/2020, lot 4138 @ [\$110,000 hammer] \$132,000.



Page 166 New Coin 45-2

PCGS XF45 11020.45/42541603

Obverse off center toward K-8. Small planchet defects diagonally across fields. Reverse well off center toward K-12.

Early die state.

Coin 187 in the Census.

Page 166 Coin 40-1 [Scheibel] New Certification: PCGS XF45 11020.45/5010189.

Add to pedigree: The Gibney Family Collection; Heritage 4/25/2021, lot 5008 at [\$100,000 hammer] \$120,000; Harry Laibstain, offered at \$150,000. Offered on eBay, June to July 2021 @ \$145,000. Offered on Collectors Corner in October 2021 @ \$145,000.

Page 167 Coin 40-2 [Kingswood 1990] New Certification: PCGS Genuine Repaired-XF Detail 11020.98/38314891

Add to pedigree: Macon Collection; Stack's Bowers 3/19/2020, lot 3087 @ [\$36,000 hammer] \$43,200.

New Certification NGC XF DETAILS
REPAIRED 5748681-010

Heritage June 2020 Buy Now \$59,500. On Collectors Corner June 2020 @ \$59,500. Offered by LCR Coin @ \$59,400 in June 2020.

Offered by Centurial Collectibles [Michael Accavallo] in September 2020 at \$74.995. Offered in November 2020 at \$72,495. Offered in January 2021 at \$67,500. Offered in March to June 2021 at \$65,900.

Page 167 Coin 40-5 Offered on eBay January 2017 to January 2018 by Tangible Investments for \$72,500. Seen by author (PS) on 8-4-17. Offered on Collectors Corner after 10/15/2017 @ \$72,500. Not listed in March 2018.

Now NGC XF DETAILS TOOLED 4829553-005. Offered by Kedzie Coins in June 2019 at \$71,500. Concurrently on eBay June to December 2019 at \$73,000. On Collectors Corner August to December 2019 at \$71,500.

Still offered by Kedzie Coins in January to July 2020 for \$73,000. Offered on Collectors Corner at \$73,000 in June 2020. Offered in September 2020 to May 2021 at \$76,000.

Offered in October to December 2021 by Centurial Collectibles @ \$95,999.00. Offered concurrently on Collectors Corner @ \$89,999.

Offered on eBay in January 2022 by Centurial Collectibles @ \$92,999. Offered concurrently on Collectors Corner @ \$89,999. Offered on eBay March to May 2022 at \$95.999, offered on eBay August to September 2022 @ \$93,999. In October 2022 to March 2023 @ \$92,999. Offered in April to July 2023 @ \$98,999. Offered in November 2023 @ \$97.449.

Page 168 Coin 40-7

Add to pedigree:
Stack's 4/21/1967, lot 112.

Page 168 Coin 40-8

Add to pedigree:
Morganthau 5/9/1933, lot 246 (as Fine).

Page 169 Coin 40-9

Add to pedigree:
Henry Chapman 6/28/1918, lot 225.

XF-40 The Green / Newman coin, XF-40, was listed as coin I-10 on page 197, and is listed below.



Page 170 New Coin 35-6

PCGS VF-35 11020.35/8289458 [Certified 5-31-90]; recertified in 2019 as XF-40.11020.40/08289458.

Obverse generally well centered. Curved scratch in field before forehead. Reverse off center toward K-8. Defect in field between head and AM.

Early die state.

Pedigree: California collection; Northeast Numismatics 2019; Offered on Collectors Corner in February 2019 @ \$97,500; Offered by APMEX on their website in March 2019 at \$99,895. Concurrently on eBay at \$102,057.32. To Ron Shintaku in June 2019. Seen by author (PS) 4/25/19.

Coin 178 in the census.



Page 170 New Coin 35-7

NGC VF-35 551258-001 (Certified 7/31/1998)

Poor quality images. Obverse no diagnostic marks. Reverse well off center toward K-11. Die alignment 345°

Pedigree: Bonhams 10-25-2022, lot 33.

Offered by Bonhams with a Hamilton document and the coin not described. Responding to questions, they realized the coin had value.

Coin 192 in the census.

Page 172 Coin 30-7

Add to pedigree:

Stack's 9/15/1972, lot 588 @ \$1,200.



New Coin 30-10 PCGS VF30 11020.30/2292780

[Certified 10/15/1990] CAC

Generally smooth and choice. Obverse well centered. Fine scratch on chin. Reverse off center toward K-12. Small pit in field between A and wing. Diagonal scratches in field above beak. Another across head of eagle.

Early die state 1-A

Pedigree: California collection; Northeast Numismatics 2019; Blanchard. Coin 179 in the census.

A photo of this coin was included in the 2020 PCGS Calendar for September.

Page 173 Coin 25-3

Offered on Collectors Corner in January 2017 to March 2018 by Coin & Bullion Reserves for \$94.500.

Offered on eBay in October to December 2018 at \$97,580. Concurrently on Collectors Corner at \$94,500.

Offered on eBay in January to February 2019 at \$97,580. Concurrently on Collectors Corner at \$94,500.

Offered by Kevin Lipton on Collectors Corner in June to January 2021 @ \$102,000. The listing states, "Less than 100 known."

Offered by Rare Collectibles TV (Rick Tomaska) in March 2021 at \$119.995.

Heritage 10/7/2021, lot 3487 @ [\$60,000 hammer] \$72,000.

The ANS has a Lucite slide made with the impression of this coin.

Page 174 Coin 25-7, the Denman coin.

Sold by Heritage in 2016 at \$35,380.43. Offered on eBay in January 2017 to April by Kedzie Koins for \$55.000. Reduced to \$52,000 in June 2017 to May 2018. Concurrently on Kedzie Koins website at

\$52,000. Concurrently offered by Heritage in January to April 2017 as “Buy it Now” for \$57,500.

Add to Pedigree: Scotsman Coins 7/27/2018, lot 799, \$30,000 reserve, not sold.

Back on eBay in September to December 2018 by Kedzie Koins at \$52,000. Offered on eBay in January 2019 at \$52,000. Concurrently on Collectors Corner at \$52,000. Offered by Park Avenue Numismatics at \$60,500 in May 2019.

Heritage 1/9/2020, lot 4137 @ [\$24,000 hammer] \$28,800. Heritage 1/13/2022, lot 3308 @ [\$32,000 hammer] \$38,400; Rob Rodriguez.

Page 174 Coin 20-1 is the same as **Coin 20-16**. PCGS 11020.20/03295048 as reported by the current owner. It went from a California collector, via Tom Reynolds, to Kenneth Goldman to the current owner.

Page 175 Coin 20-4 [B&M 1991:268]

Add to pedigree:
Stack's 6/2/1967, lot 1069.

The NNP image shows a vertical line in the field under DU of INDUSTRY. On closer examination, this appears to be a fine hair on the plate.

Page 175 Coin 20-5

Add to pedigree: Spink 9/24/2015, lot 256 @ \$15,500

Page 176 Coin 20-7

Add to Pedigree:
Said to be found by Florida dealer in foreign junk lot; Jeff Garrett; Jonathan Kern; to Stack's in May 2010; Stack's 9/30/2010, lot 2606 @ \$34,500.

Viken Yegparian reported that the coin was bought in 2010 by a specialist known to repair holes in coins. It may reappear without the hole.

Page 176 Coin 20-10 PCGS Genuine 11020.98/14681711 [Certified 5/5/2009]

Add to pedigree: Julian Kaufman collection; Heritage 1/4/2018. Lot 4795 @ [32,000 hammer] \$38,400; Rare Old Coin Gallery; offered on eBay January to December 2018 @ \$89,885.00. Offered on eBay in January to December 2019 at \$89,885.

Still offered in January 2020 to July for \$89,885.



New Coin Coin 20-18 NGC VF Details 4220380-001
[certified 7/10/2015] Image copyright NGC.

Obverse large rough torn hole at K-12.5. Reverse large rough torn hole at k-11.5. Coin 166 in census.

Die state cannot be determined.

Pedigree: Image from NGC Cert Verification.



New Coin 20-19 PCGS Genuine-Holed-VF Details

Obverse off center toward K-10; reverse off center toward K-9. Obverse hole through B of LIB; reverse hole through O in OF. Obverse spot in field before nose. Reverse striations running 135° H-10.5 to K-4.5. Coin 168 in census.

Die state [2-B] Faint trace of die crack on reverse.

Pedigree: Spinks 4/5/2017, lot 256 @ [\$15,500 hammer] \$17,250; Heritage 8/2/2017, lot 3917 (\$32,000 hammer) \$37,600. Seen by author (PS) on August 1, 2017, during lot viewing.



New Coin 20-20 PCGS Bent-VF Detail
11020.98.36489730

Obverse generally well centered. Bent. Ding in field under ND. Flattened rim over TRY. Reverse off center toward K-10. Significant dent in field before eagle.

Late stage of early die state.

Pedigree: Stack's Bowers 3/5/2019, lot 1005 @ [\$21,000 hammer] \$25,200. Coin 177 in the census.



New Coin 20-21 PCGS 11020.20/3186526 VF20
[Certified 3/4/1992] CAC

Generally smooth and choice. Obverse off center toward K-10.5. Fine vertical scratch in field down from Y. Reverse off center toward K.10.5. I in DISME is weak.

Late stage of early die state. Weak thru wing on right.

Pedigree: California collection; Northeast Numismatics 2019. Coin 180 in the census.



New Coin 20-22 PCGS 11020.98/37092059 Genuine Repaired-VF Detail

Obverse slightly off center toward K-7. Reverse slightly off center toward K-10. Deep striations at edge at K-5.

The rim has been repaired or altered on obverse K-7 to K-6 and reverse K-6 to K-5; false denticles have been added.

Dealer wrote: "As far as I know this coin has only changed hands once in the last century."

Early Die State.

Pedigree: First appearance on eBay in September to November 2020; Jeff Lewis; Rare Old Coin Gallery: offered at \$84,885. Offered on eBay January to July 2021 at \$75,885. Offered on eBay October 2021 @ \$73,885.

Coin 183 in Census.



New Coin 20-23 NGC VF DETAILS REPAIRED.
4842881-001.

Obverse off center toward K-12. Fine pits across surface.

Reverse off center toward K-12. Diagonal scratch from I of UNI to rim right of E in DISME.

Rough surface may hide evidence of repairs.

Early die state.

Pedigree: First appearance on eBay in September to November 2020; Jeff Lewis; Rare Old Coin Gallery; offered at \$59,885. Offered January 2021 at \$55,885.

Coin 184 in Census.



New Coin 20-24

PCGS VF20 11020.20/42541604

Obverse off center toward K-1.5. Reverse off center toward K-11.

Late stage of early die state 1-B, flat through wing at right. Coin 188 in the Census.

Page 178 Coin 15-1

Add to pedigree: Heritage 4/25/2021, lot 5007 at [\$70,000 hammer] \$84,000; Heritage 1/12/2023, lot 3660 @ [\$65,000 hammer] \$78,000.

Page 179 Coin 15-2 Add to pedigree: Ron Shintaku to Northeast Numismatics June 2019. Offered on their website in 2019 at \$69,750. Still offered in 2020.

Page 180 Coin 15-6 PCGS F15 11020.15/4370719 [Certified 1/8/1996] OGH

Add to pedigree: Heritage 1/4/2018, lot 4796 @ [42,000 hammer] \$50,400. Offered on Great Collections 1/24/2021. Lot 931738 @ [\$68,253 hammer] \$74,534.52; Heritage 8/24/2022. Lot 3900 @ [\$55,000 hammer] \$66,000.

Offered on eBay by David Lawrence October 2022 @ \$85,600; December 2022 to January 2023 @ \$83,200.



New Coin 15-7 NGC 594219-001 [Certified 7/13/1999]

Obverse off center toward K-5. Reverse well off center toward K-11. Obverse ding in field on left under right base of N. Scratch on right from base of F to middle of S. Reverse weak through wing of eagle on right.

Pedigree: Shelly Adler, Manchester, CT 1995; Lance Alpert, West Hartford, CT.

Seen by author [LA] in Baltimore on March 23, 2018. Coin 172 in the census.



New Coin 15-8 PCGS F15 11020-15/47902121 CAC
Obverse off center to K-10. Small scratch between SC of SCIENCE to back hair curl. Damage near rim at K-6 to K-7.

Reverse off center to K-5, Scratch between ER of AMERICA across wing of eagle to eagle breast. Another between AM across neck of eagle.

Die state 1-B with weak left wing.

Pedigree: Stack's Bowers 8/16/2023 lot 5023 @ [\$100,000 hammer] \$120,000..

Coin 194 in the Census

Page 180 Coin 12-3 Listed in BOANC as PCGS F-12 without a certification number.

Certified as PCGS F-12 11020.12/06692096 [Certified 8/5/2009]. Offered by Heritage at FUN 1/5/2017, lot 5562 @ (38,000 hammer) \$44,650. Offered on Collectors Corner in January to February 2017 by Harry Laibstain at \$55,000.

Page 181 Coin 12-5 Recertified PCGS Genuine Damage-AG Details 11020.98/40224545

Add to pedigree: Seen on eBay October 2020 to May 2021; Keystone Estate Specialists, Inc.; buy it now at \$31,900.

Page 182 Coin 12-6 Offered on Collectors Corner by David Kahn Rare Coins after 11/7/2017 for \$36,500.

Page 184 Coin 12-12. Offered on eBay in January 2017 to March 2018 by Stateline Coin Exchange at \$19,999.95. Offered by Great Collections 3/17/2019 starting at \$17,500.

Offered by U.S. Coins & Jewelry in June 2019, at \$18,499.95. Concurrently on eBay at \$18,899.95.

Page 185 Coin 12-17

Offered on eBay in May 2020 by Centurial Collectibles at \$42,995. PCGS does not list the certification number as valid. Listed on eBay in June to July 2020 at \$39,995.

Page 186 Coin 12-19

Add to description:

PCGS Genuine Bent 11020.98/83545330
Offered on eBay in June to November 2017 by Infinity Coins of Idaho Falls, ID, for \$30,999.99.



New Coin 12-22:0/9 [Heritage 2106:3059] PCGS F-12 11020.12/3683703 [Certified 5/17/2001]

Obverse centering obscured by holder; reverse off center toward K-9. Obverse dented across forehead, through hair, and between A-R of PAR. V shaped scratch in field before eye. Reverse parallel horizontal scratches in field and across head and wing of eagle. Scratch across eagle above talon. Weak detail through right side and through HALF DISME.

Die state cannot be determined, excessive wear.

Pedigree: The Walter Freeman Collection, Part I; Heritage 10/3/2016, lot 3059 @ [\$37,000 hammer] \$43,475; Heritage Sunday Internet Coin Auction 12/18/16, lot 25108 [\$40,000 Reserve], not sold.

Offered by Heritage in January 2017 as “Buy it Now” for \$51,500. Offered in February 2017 as “Buy it Now” for \$50,000.

First new sale offering since finalization of BOANC making 165 known examples. (with two duplicates removed)



New Coin 12-23 NGC F Details 3224999-001 [Certified 7/26/2011] Image copyright NGC.

Reverse off center toward K-12. Obverse large clean hole at K-12.5. Reverse large clean hole at K-11.5. Coin 167 in census.

Die state cannot be determined.

Pedigree: Image from NGC Cert Verification.



New Coin 12-24 Fine – 12; Uncertified

Obverse off center toward K-1.5, weak denticles K-12 to K-3. Reverse off center toward K-5. Apparent damage near rim at K-7. Ding below wing on left, ding above tail, weak head detail.

Possible late die state 3.

Pedigree: New England Rare Coin Auctions July 21-22, 1978, lot 43 @ \$2400.

Found in a catalog in the author’s library but missed during previous research. Coin 170 in the census.



New Coin 12-25 Fine-12 PCGS 10210.12/34580483

Centering cannot be determined from images. Obverse damage on face. Reverse weak through wing on right.

Pedigree: Offered by Tangible Investments on eBay March 2018 to May 2018 for \$64,500; *Coin World* ad April 2018 @ \$59,950. Offered by APMEX on eBay in May 2018 for \$ 67,963.56.

Seen by author [LA] on March 22, 2018 in Baltimore. Coin 171 in the census.



New Coin 12-26 F-Details PCGS 11020.98/34958845

Holed, plugged, and re-engraved at obverse K-1, reverse K-11. Both sides heavily scratched. Obverse ding on cheek. Bend through head. Reverse arrow shaped scratch at neck of eagle.

Centering, die state cannot be determined.

Pedigree: Kagin's 3/8/2018, lot 1162 {13.000 hammer} \$15,600. Coin 173 in the census.



New Coin 12-27 PCGS Genuine Fine Details 11020.98/37598459

Obverse: Missing denticles K-4 around to K-2, scratch in field before face, scratch below nose, dent behind eye. Reverse off center toward K-8, scratch after A in AMERICA, scratch in field before eagle, raised thru head of eagle from obverse dent.

Die state cannot be determined.

Pedigree: Kagin's 2/27/2020, lot 1103 @ [\$17,000 hammer] \$20,400. Coin 181 in the Census.



New Coin 12-28 NGC FINE DETAILS PLUGGED 4923527-001

Obverse off center toward K-6. Slight bend in field between nose and R of INDUSTRY. Plugged under RY. In date, 92 weak or missing. Small cut infield between lip and D of INDUSTRY.

Reverse off center toward K-12. Slight bend through HALF DISME. Head detail missing. Pit over wing on right. Gouge below wing on right. Cut through A of STATES.

Die State: probably late.

Pedigree: Stack's Bowers 8/6/2020, lot 1148 @ [\$13,000 hammer] \$15,600.

Coin 182 in Census.



New Coin 10-3 PCGS Genuine Holed-VG Detail 11020.98/36374522

Obverse off center toward K-7. Large hole at K-12.5. Several light scratches. Reverse off center toward K-6. Large hole at K-12. Scratch in field below AM. Planchet flaw crosses eagle's wing and head.

Late stage of early die state with wing weak on right.

Pedigree: Heritage 1/31/2019, lot 3554 @ [\$15,000 hammer] \$18,000; Stack's Bowers 5/23/2019, lot 1045 @ [\$17,000 hammer] \$20,400.

Coin 176 in the census.

Page 187 Coin 8-4 Add to pedigree: Poulos Family Collection; Heritage 9/5/2019, lot 4675 @ {\$41,000 hammer} \$49,200.



New Coin 8-11 NGC VG DETAILS DAMAGED
6100761-002

Obverse centering cannot be determined. Possible bend K-10.5 through K-4.5. Well worn. Minor ding on nose.

Reverse off center toward K-9. Dent in field to left under eagle. Missing detail through lower center.

Die State: Probably early.

Pedigree: Great Collections 7/4/2021, lot 1005280
@ [\$22,850 hammer] \$25,481.25.

Coin 186 in Census.



New Coin 8-12

These photos were sent by Richard S. Montgomery of ANACS to Eric P. Newman on 8/16/1984. No pedigree was given.

Obverse off center toward K-6. Obverse holed at K-12.5. Fine scratches on head. Reverse off center toward K-12. Reverse holed at K-11.5.

Late stage of early die state, weak through wing at right. Coin 189 in the census.



New Coin 8-13

PCGS 11020.08/45101002

Obverse off center toward K-9. Fine scratch on cheek, scratch on neck above truncation. Reverse off center toward K-3. Weak details in NE quadrant. Pit or ding at top of H in HALF

Late stage of early die state.

Pedigree: Heritage 10/6/2022, lot 3024 @
[\$48,000 hammer] \$57,600.

Coin 191 in the Census.



New Coin 8-14 PCGS VG8 11020.08/25260716
[Certified 8/8/2014]

Obverse off center to K-10. Planchet flaw across obverse K-10.5, forehead, to K-3. Reverse off center to K-12. Scratch across wing on left. Mottled dark toning.

Early die state.

Pedigree: Stephenville Collection; Heritage 5/3/2023, lot 3050 @ {\$39,000 hammer} \$46,600, Coin 193 in the Census.



New Coin 6-9 PCGS G06 11020.06/8131436 CAC OGH [Certified 6/12/1989]

Obverse off center toward K-3. Edge cuts at K-3, K-7 and K-11 as if it was pinned to an exhibit board. Rim damage near K-12. Reverse off center toward K-4. Pin marks at K-1, 1, K-5, K-9.5.

Late die state well worn through wing on right. Pedigree: Heritage 11/2/2017. lot 16673@ [\$32,000 hammer] \$38,400; Laura Sperber / Offered by Legend Numismatics at \$45,000 in May 2019.

Coin 169 in the census.

Page 192 Coin 3-3 Uncertified in 2007, In 2018 PCGS Genuine Repaired P-FR Detail 11020.98/35439095; Later in 2018 NGC Fair Details Repaired 4823259-009. In 2019 certified as PCGS Genuine Repaired P/FR Detail 11020.98/36947602.

Photos in 2007



Photos in 2018



The obverse scratches have been smoothed and the profile strengthened.

PCGS Genuine Repaired P/FR Detail 11020.98/36847602

Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers 5/23/2018, lot 91088. It failed to meet the reserve of \$15,500.

Offered on eBay in October 2018 by Tangible Investments for \$16,500. Offered again in February to

May 2019. Offered on Collectors Corner for \$16,500 in April 2019. Sold 5/3/2019, "Best Offer Accepted."

Page 192 Coin 3-5

Add to pedigree: Scotsman Coins 7/27/2018, lot 800, \$17,000 reserve, not sold. Offered by Scotsman on eBay in October to November 2018 for \$24,035. Scotsman Coins 11/6/2020, lot 739, not sold; Heritage 5/5/2022 lot 3720 @ [\$28,000 hammer] \$33.600.



Page 193 New Coin 2-2 PCGS FR02 11020.02/41012755 [CAC]

Obverse well centered. Shadow of letters 'wn' on face. Well worn but generally mark free. Reverse off center toward K-3. Outline of front of eagle shows, most details are gone. Fine scratches in field behind eagle. Die state cannot be determined.

Pedigree: Reported to be found in a junk box for less than a dollar by a Washington collector; Front Range Coins and Currency Ltd., Greg Marcus; Great Collections, June 13, 2021, lot 992407 @ [\$93,000 hammer] \$104,625.

Coin 185 in the census.

This is an excerpt from a *Coin World* article, July 2021, page 46.

"In a June 15 telephone interview with *Coin World*, the buyer of the Fair 2 1792 coin from the Great Collections auction, who wishes to remain anonymous, said he is a strong collector of "low ball" coins across all series.

He said he has been collecting low-ball coins for several years, but only began to get the coins certified two years ago by third-party grading services.

The buyer-collector believes the addition of his latest purchase has the potential to vault him to the top of the low-ball registry sets. The buyer said he wrestled with what price to settle on for his final bid, and for whatever reason settled on \$93,000, which was good enough to beat the underbidder by a mere \$1,000.

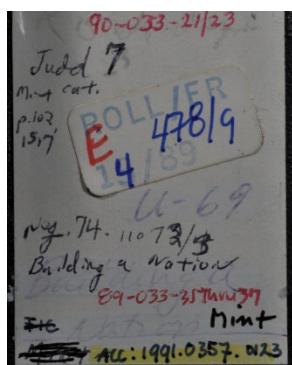
The buyer said he was impressed by the quality and historical aspects of his acquisition.

"I knew I had to buy it because it is a 'one of' that circulated and has all that history. I didn't want to get outbid by someone not coin educated but just had a lot of money to burn, he said."

Page 193-4 Coin 00-3

Add to pedigree: Thaddeus A. Tatum III Collection; Stack's Bowers 8/15/2018, lot 1009, opened at \$28,000 [\$33,600], no floor bids. Seen by author (PS) 8/14/18.

Page 194 Coin I-1



New photos taken by Jeremy Katz at the Smithsonian on November 15, 2016.

Obverse and reverse well centered. Irregular color. Obverse tiny pit on neck below ear. Reverse scratch from tip of wing on left to N of UNI. Scratch from tail

to rim between I-C of AMERICA. Many fine scratches.

Early die state 1-a; First Strike.

Pedigree: National Numismatic Collection, Comparette 1517; transferred to Smithsonian about 1923; included in "Building a Nation" exhibit.

Page 197 Coin I-10 the Newman coin



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NGC XF-40 2064031-023 [Still Active 6-2018] later PCGS XF-40 11020.40/34475977.

Obverse slightly off center toward K-6. Dark patches in fields. Scratch left or R in INDUSTRY. Scratch under CIE of SCIENCE. Reverse off center toward K-10.5. Dent on neck of eagle. Damaged across H of HALF. Scratch from base of F in OF to field behind head.

Striations across cheek from K-11 to K-5.

Early die state 1-A.

Pedigree: E.H.R. Green; Eric P. Newman; Heritage 11/1/2017, lot 15075 @ [\$110,000 hammer] \$132,000. South Texas Collection. Offered by Legend Numismatics June 2018 website and Collector's Corner @ \$147,500. Legend 7/26/18, Lot 176 @ \$123,375.

Lot description includes, "The entire emission was delivered to Thomas Jefferson, who as Secretary of State oversaw the mint, and he delivered them to George Washington at Mount Vernon on his way to Montecello."

Offered by Legend Numismatics for \$147,500 in May 2019.



Obverse off center toward K-9. Reverse off center toward K-9. Scratch between IC in AMERICA to rim. Damage in fields.

Early die state.

Unmatched Certification Numbers

These 1792 half dimes with grade, certification number and certification date may be shown in the preceding census but have not been matched to a specific coin.

PCGS MS-66 11020.66/02307714 [02/07/1991]
NGC MS-64 200827-004 [08/03/1988]
NGC MS-64 919505-001 [02/12/1988]
NGC MS-64 1624743-001 [09/11/2001]
NGC MS-64 1635708-001 [01/09/2002]
NGC MS-64 3126304-018 [02/11/2008]
PCGS MS-64 11020.64/50053468 [05/30/2003]
PCGS MS-64 11020.64/04437277 [11/14/2005]
PCGS MS-64 11020.64/09436035 [01/11/2006]
PCGS MS-63 11020.63/02543800 [03/15/1994]
PCGS MS-63 11020.63/08424278 [10/06/1994]
NGC MS-62 1826378-001 [03/07/2005]
NGC MS-62 3211445-001 [08/20/2008]
NGC MS-61 1846188-003 [12/15/2004]
NGC AU-58 1872837-001 [12/02/2004]
NGC AU-58 3108918-001 [09/27/2007]
NGC AU-58 3101207-046 [04/15/2008]
NGC AU-58 3318797-001 [12/20/2011]
PCGS AU-58 11020.58/04138551 [01/15/0993]
PCGS AU-58 11020.58/04601055 [11/04/1996]
PCGS AU-58 11020.58/04643785 [01/09/1997]
PCGS AU-58 11020.58/06583883 [09/24/1999]
PCGS AU-58 11020.58/21753356 [10/07/2004]
PCGS AU-58 11020.58/50176833 [12/03/2004]
PCGS AU-58 11020.58/50176834 [12/03/2004]
NGC AU-55 1891126-001 [01/12/2005]
NGC AU-55 3108820-001 [09/27/2007]
PCGS AU-55 11020.55/08365175 [09/16/1991]
PCGS AU-55 11020.55/09496425 [03/04/1992]
PCGS AU-55 11020.55/02607057 [04/13/1995]
PCGS AU-55 11020.55/05760853 [06/30/2000]

PCGS AU-55 11020.55/10004445 [05/30/2001]
PCGS AU-50 11020.50/02551456 [04/07/1994]
PCGS AU-50 11020.50/06591367 [06/09/2000]
PCGS AU-50 11020.50/50191301 [02/24/2005]
NGC XF-45 1745398-001 [09/01/2004]
PCGS XF-45 11020.45/50150189 [09/09/2004]
NGC XF-40 0239652-001 [03/17/1993]
NGC XF-40 0178529-001 [06/24/1994]
NGC XF-40 1826342-001 [01/24/2005]
PCGS XF-40 11020.40/06581777 [08/08/1999]
NGC VF-35 0551258-001 [07/31/1998]
NGC VF-35 0952290-001 [09/02/1999]
PCGS VF-35 11020.35/07346659 [10/05/1989]
PCGS VF-35 11020.35/08289458 [05/31/1990]
PCGS VF-35 11020.35/18021692 [09/03/2010]
NGC VF-30 0218565-018 [10/10/1991]
PCGS VF-30 11020.30/02292780 [10/15/1990]
PCGS VF-30 11020.30/02691218 [06/04/1998]
PCGS VF-30 11020.30/04993719 [07/01/1998]
PCGS VF-30 11020.30/05388017 [09/04/1998]
PCGS VF-30 11020.30/08815447 [07/18/2006]
PCGS VF-25 11020.25/06557403 [06/05/1998]
NGC VF-20 0165324-013 [08/28/1992]
PCGS VF-20 11020.20/06467809 [08/15/1991]
PCGS VF-20 11020.20/03186526 [03/04/1992]
PCGS VF-20 11020.20/02673235 [08/07/1997]
PCGS VF-20 11020.20/10007950 [12/04/2001]
NGC F-15 594219-001 [07/13/1999]
PCGS F-15 11020.15/06406116 [01/25/1991]
PCGS F-15 11020.15/06469789 [08/27/1991]
PCGS F-15 11020.15/04370719 [01/08/1996]

NGC F-12 3457512-002 [01/03/2012]
 PCGS F-12 11020.12/04701792 [04/02/1997]
 PCGS F-12 11020.12/03683703 [05/17/2001]
 PCGS F-12 11020.12/06692096 [08/05/2009]
 PCGS VG-10 11020.10/02610506 [08/09/1996]
 PCGS VG-10 11020.10/04662094 [02/04/1997]
 NGC VG-08 0323049-001 [02/23/1996]
 NGC VG-08 3748986-001 [06/10/2014]
 PCGS VG-08 11020.08/25260716 [08/08/2014]
 PCGS G-06 11020.06/08131436 [06/12/1989]
 PCGS AG-03 11020.03/13344435 [10/31/2007]
 NGC AU Det 3508204-002 [08/14/2011] Impr Cleaned
 NGC AU Details 4214508-001 [05/30/2015] Damaged
 NGC XF Details 3515648-003 [08/04/2012] Repaired
 NGC VF Details 3608154-001 [11/15/2013] Plugged

NGC F Details 3609275-007 [01/07/2014] Damaged
 PCGS Genuine 11020.84/06681366 [01/07/2010] H/P
 PCGS Genuine 11020.84/20279242 [08/11/2011] H/P
 PCGS FDetails 11020.84/27270456 [02/11/2013] H/P
 PCGS Genuine 11020.92/25534593 [02/01/2012] Clnd
 PCGS Genuine 11020.94/06866855 [03/26/2009] AltSrf
 PCGS Genuine 11020.98/06866667 [03/27/2009] Damg
 PCGS Genuine 11020.98/14681711 [05/05/2009] Damg
 PCGS Genuine 11020.98/06749514 [09/23/2009] Damg
 PCGS Genuine 11020.98/06640393 [08/11/2010] Damg
 PCGS VG Det 11020.98/25395897 [08/07/2012] Damg
 PCGS FDetails 11020.98/25345347 [12/18/2013] Damg
 93 listed as of September 2016.

List O – Other Appearances

More than 580 auction appearance were noted for the 1792 half dismes. About 314 could be matched with a coin to include with a pedigree. The following sales could not be matched but may be in the future.

Thomas & Sons 2-20-1851, lot 22 @ \$2
 Thomas & Sons 6-12-1855, lot 70 Fine @ \$5.50
 John K. Curtis 1858 FPL @ \$12, another \$5
 Edward Cogan 5-21-1859, lot 111 @ \$6
 Edward Cogan 12-19-1859, lot 218 G @ \$9.50
 Bangs Merwin 7-12-1860, lot 200 VF @ \$10
 Edward Cogan 10-18-1860, lot 1730 @ \$17
 Bangs Merwin 11-21-1860, lot 336 @ \$4.50
 Leonard & Co. 2-5-1861, lot 245 @ \$5.25
 John K. Curtis 1862 FPL No. 1264 @ \$12
 Edward Cogan 3-25-1862, lot 746 VF @ \$12
 Bangs 11-11-1862, lot 1529 UNC @ \$34
 Bangs 11-11-1862, lot 1530 Fine @ \$12
 Bangs 11-11-1862, lot 1619 Poor @ \$3.50
 Satterlee 12-16-1862
 Bangs Merwin 1-19-1863, lot 779 @ \$17.50
 Edward Cogan 4-7-1863, lot 1076 @ \$30*
 W. E. Woodward 4-28-1863, lot 2066 F @ \$13
 W. H. Strobridge 6-9-1863, lot 1032 XF @ \$22
 W. H. Strobridge 9-22-1863, lot 833 VF @ \$20
 W.E. Woodward 10-20-1863, lot 2780 F @ \$30
 W. H. Strobridge 12-15-1863, lot 719 @ \$26
 S. G. Hubbard 3-15-1864, lot 719 Fair @ \$9
 W.E. Woodward 5-17-1864, lot 1832 VF @ \$16
 Henry Cook 10-5-1864, lot 277 F @ \$12
 W. E. Woodward 10-18-1864 @ \$31.50*
 Edward Cogan 3-13-1865, lot 1321 F @ \$10.50
 W.E. Woodward 3-20-1865, lot 2864 UNC @ \$40*

W.E. Woodward 3-20-1865, lot 3544 F @ \$10
 W.E. Woodward 12-19-1865, lot 1433 VF/Dented
 W.E. Woodward 2-27-1866, lot 736 Pierced \$4.50
 W.E. Woodward 4-24-1866, lot 1311 AU/Bent \$7
 W.E. Woodward 4-24-1866, lot 2151 UNC @ \$12*
 Edward Cogan 12-6-1866, lot 264 VG @ \$9.50
 W.E. Woodward 12-10-1866, lot 1895 Pierced \$2
 W. E. Woodward 4-18-1867, lot 1399 @ \$25.25*
 W. E. Woodward 10-28-1867, lot 2133 @ \$7.50
 Mason 10-28-1868, lot 583 @ \$24*
 Mason 4-13-1869, lot 922 Fair/Poor @ \$2
 Edward Cogan 6-23-1869, lot 381 AU @ \$24
 Mason 9-6-1869, lot 356 Fair @ \$2.75
 Edward Cogan 9-27-1869. lot 717 UNC @ \$42.50
 Mason 10-18-1869, lot 445 VF @ \$19
 Mason 11-16-1869, lot 126 Pierced @ \$1.25
 Mason 10-4-1870, lot 1138 VG @ \$3.75
 Edward Cogan 2-27-1871, lot 2615 Fair @ \$9
 Edward Cogan 5-3-1871, lot 365 UNC @ \$44.50*
 Edward Cogan 6-1-1871, lot 507 @ \$10.50
 Edward Cogan 10-5-1871, lot 409 G @ \$11
 Alfred S. Robinson 1-5-1872, lot 409 @ \$5
 George Leavitt 4-11-1872, lot 386 @ \$5.50
 Edward Cogan 5-7-1872, lot 93 Fair
 Haseltine / Birch 10-29-1872, lot 433 G @ \$3
 Haseltine 2-25-1873, lot 735 Fair @ \$2.50
 Edward Cogan 6-9-1873, lot 75 UNC @ 22.50
 Edward Cogan 6-9-1873, lot 829 VG @ \$5.50

W. H. Strobridge 9-22-1873, lot 833 @ \$20
 W. H. Strobridge 9-24-1873, lpt 153 Fine @ \$6.58
 W. H. Strobridge 4-28-1875, lot 318
 Edward Cogan 10-25-1875, lot 381 G @ \$6
 Edward Cogan 1-24-1876, lot 1541 Poor @ \$2.30
 Edward Cogan 4-17-1876, lot 655 Unc @ \$19
 Ed Frossard FPL 1-1-1877, lot 3 pierced @ \$3
 Edward Cogan 4-12-1877, lot 400 Pierced @ 2.25
 Ed Frossard 9-6-1878, lot 337 Poor @ \$1.05
 Edward Cogan 9-16-1878, lot 1823 G @ \$12
 Edward Cogan 12-22-1878, lot 2037 AU @ \$9.50
 Edward Cogan 12-16-1878, Unc @ \$14
 W.E. Woodward 3-31-1879, lot 1004 G @ \$4.10
 Edward Cogan 9-2-1879, lot 460 VG @ \$6.10
 J. W. Scott 12-15-1879, lot 200 VG @ \$15
 S.H. & H. Chapman 5-26-1880, lot 325 VG @ \$3.30
 W. E. Woodward 6-14-1880, lot 1939a G/Fair @ \$4.40
 Harzfeld 6-30-1880, lot 388 Fair/Poor
 Leavitt & Co. 7-20-1880, lot 1096 VG @ \$10
 W. E. Woodward 9-1-1880, lot 1382 VF @ \$14.60
 Mason 10-5-1880, lot 1263 F/G @ \$14
 W.E. Woodward 10-13-1880, lot 1757 Fair @ \$7.50
 S.H. & H. Chapman 11-19-1880, lot 771 Fair \$.55
 Haseltine 12-16-1880, lot 1049 VF @ \$6
 S.H. & H. Chapman 7-28-1881, lot 897 Pierced @ \$9
 W. E. Woodward 10-26-81, lot 1648 VG/P @ \$2.00
 W. E. Woodward 3-6-1882, lot 436 Fine @ \$12.50
 S.H. & H. Chapman 6-20-82, lot 1762 XF @ \$22.50
 S.H. & H. Chapman 3-20-1883, lot 76 Good @ \$5.10
 Haseltine 4-10-1883, lot 64 Bent @ \$12.50
 Haseltine 4-10-1883, lot 350 VG @ \$7.75
 Edward Cogan 4-12-1883, lot 394 UNC @ \$29
 Haseltine 6-27-1883, lot 1709 @ \$15.50
 Steigerwalt 7-1-1883 FPL, VG @ \$8
 Massamore 11-30-1883. Lot 566 VF @ \$9
 Ed Frossard 12-7-1883 VF @ \$9 Scott & Co 12-10-1883, lot 1029A @ \$11.10
 Ed Frossard 12-12-1883, lot 1893 VG @ \$6.50
 W. E. Woodward 1-8-1884, lot 448 @ \$16
 W. E. Woodward 3-4-1884, lot 1040 pierced @ \$2
 S.H. & H. Chapman 6-9-84, lot 3214 Fair/P @ \$2.10
 Ed Frossard 10-2-1884, lot 397 XF @ \$9.50
 S.H. & H. Chapman 5-14-1885, lot 1082 @ \$24*
 W. E. Woodward 6-29-1885, lot 1319, Fine \$11
 W. E. Woodward 12-16-1885, lot 2119
 W. E. Woodward 2-24-1886, lot 2151 @ \$12
 W. E. Woodward 4-27-1886, lot 1095 perf
 W. E. Woodward 10-25-1886, lot 1539 VF
 Lyman Low 11-29-1886, lot 736 VF @ \$13.50

W. E. Woodward 2-10-87, lot 815 Perforated @ \$5
 S.H. & H. Chapman 5-5-1887, lot 571 VG @ \$7
 S.H. & H. Chapman 5-16-1887, LOT 306 Fine @ \$7
 S.H. & H. Chapman 10-17-1888, lot 738 Fine @ 6.75
 S.H. & H. Chapman 11-21-1888, lot 343 VG @ \$7
 S.H. & H. Chapman 6-17-1889, lot 411 Fine @ \$6
 New York Coin & Stamp 1-20-1890, lot 2097*
 New York Coin & Stamp 1-20-1890, lot 2098 VF
 New York Coin & Stamp 6-25-1890, lot 3 VF @ \$13
 S.H. & H. Chapman 12-9-1890, lot 1627 UNC @ \$28.50
 S.H. & H. Chapman 12-9-1890, lot 1628 UNC @ \$25
 S.H. & H. Chapman 7-15-1891, lot 860 Bent @ \$1.25
 Ed Frossard 4-13-1892, lot 785 XF @ \$15.50
 New York Coin & Stamp 4-23-1892, lot 3 @ \$20
 S.H. & H. Chapman 8-10-1893, lot 730 F @ \$12
 S.H. & H. Chapman 7-11-1894, lot 15 VG @ \$6.50
 S.H. & H. Chapman 12-3-1894, lot 598 G @ \$1
 S.H. & H. Chapman 7-7-1899, lot 230 Fair @ \$1.05
 S.H. & H. Chapman 11-6-1901, lot 608 XF @ \$17
 S.H. & H. Chapman 6-19-1902, lot 457 VG @ \$8.50
 Lyman Low 10-20-1902, lot 611 @ \$10.60
 S.H. & H. Chapman 6-17-1903, lot 1018 Fair @ \$2.10
 S.H. & H. Chapman 4-27-1904, lot 1160 G @ \$4
 Lyman Low 10-11-1904. lot 286 @ \$9
 S.H. & H. Chapman 12-16-1904, lot 345 VF @ \$8
 S.H. & H. Chapman 4-19-1905, lot 700 F @ \$11
 S.H. & H. Chapman 4-19-1905, lot 701 VF @ \$5.25
 S.H. & H. Chapman 5-8-1906, lot 978 Unc @ \$6.25
 Henry Chapman 6-17-1908, lot 902 Dented @ \$3
 Henry Chapman 12-18-1908, lot 609 Poor @ \$4.60
 Henry Chapman 12-18-1908, lot 610 Poor @ \$3.60
 Thomas Elder 9-1-1910, lot 879 AU
 S.H. Chapman 1-31-1912. Lot 481 Fine @ \$11
 Ben Green 7-26-1912, lot 893 VG @ \$10
 United States Coin 11-21-1912. Lot 600 VG @ \$6.20
 Henry Chapman 11-28-1913, lot 453 G @ \$11
 Henry Chapman 6-24-1914, lot 1692
 B. Max Mehl 6-30-1914, lot 711 @ \$21.50
 B. Max Mehl 11-30-1914, lot 759 VF @ \$18
 Henry Chapman 5-14-1915, lot 1096 Poor @ \$3
 Henry Chapman 5-14-1915, lot 1097 Poor @ \$.75
 Thomas Elder 4-13-1917, lot 200 F @ \$20
 Henry Chapman 6-28-1918, lot 225 XF @ \$25
 B. Max Mehl 2-18-1919, Lot 480 @ \$31.50
 B. Max Mehl 7-16-1919, @ \$31
 Henry Chapman 10-4-1919, lot 249*
 Lyman Low 9-21-1920, lot 111 F @ \$27.50
 Thomas Elder 6-22-1921, lot 2029 UNC @ \$62*

Henry Chapman 12-7-1921, lot 6059
 B. Max Mehl 5-2-1922, lot 638-A
 Henry Chapman 7-25-1922, lot 1409 G @ \$16
 B. Max Mehl 4-17-1923, lot 2167A @ \$31
 S. H. Chapman 4-26-1923, lot 576 VD @ \$17
 Thomas Elder 10-9-1924, lot 2103 @ \$110*
 California Stamp 2-21-1928, lot 378 F
 Harry Lelande 9-20-1928, lot 105 VF
 B. Max Mehl 12-11-1928. Lot 949 G @ \$26
 Henry Chapman 5-7-1929, lot 844 G @ \$3.25
 B. Max Mehl 12-9-1930, VF @ \$63
 Bolender 2-3-1934, XF @ \$75
 Thomas Elder 1-25-1935, lot 59 F @ \$8.25
 Bolender 10-15-1935, lot 643 VG
 Bolender 10-30-1935, lot 1604 VG @ \$8
 B. Max Mehl 6-23-1936, lot 134 G dented @ \$7
 Wayte Raymond 12-19-1938, lot 558 VG @ \$22
 Morganthau 3-14-1940, lot 615 XF @ \$51
 Morganthau 10-9-1940, lot 751 XF @ \$44
 Stack's 11-23-1940, lot 1169 VF @ \$83
 Stack's 2-17-1941, lot 546 @ \$41
 James Kelly 4-26-1941
 B. Max Mehl 6-1-1941, lot 25 AU @ \$58
 Stack's 12-20-1941, lot 655 VF @ \$65
 Morganthau 6-16-1942, lot 26*
 Abe Kosoff 12-12-1942, lot 512 XF @ \$47
 Abe Kosoff 9-10-1943, lot 157 VF @ \$86
 B. Max Mehl 2-1944, lot 2661 @ 138.50 (stock photo)*
 Morganthau 2-8-1945, XF @ \$101
 Numismatic Gallery 5-11-1945, lot 173 AU @ \$120
 B. Max Mehl 6-11-1946, lot 1115 @ \$110*
 B. Max Mehl 6-17-1947, lot 1498 @ \$157.50*
 Numismatic Gallery 12-6-1947, lot 160 VG-F
 B. Max Mehl 5-23-1948, lot 310 F @ \$75
 Stack's 5-21-1949, lot 76
 Numismatic Gallery 8-21-1949, lot 1009 @ \$140*
 Numismatic Gallery 2-28-1950, lot 1023 @ \$145*
 Stack's 4-1-1950, lot 313, UNC*
 Stack's 11-18-1950, lot 681 VF
 New Netherlands 1-20-1951, lot 411 VF @ \$93
 Stack's 4-7-1951, lot 370 VF
 New Netherlands 4-13-1951, lot 781 XF @ \$103
 New Netherlands 1-26-1952, lot 549 VF @ \$90
 Stack's 7-23-1953, lot 292 XF
 New Netherlands 8-18-1952, lot 197 VG @ \$65
 New Netherlands 8-21-1952, lot 3917 @ \$22.50
 Hollinbeck 10-31-1952, lot 2098 VG
 Stack's 2-26-1953, lot 440 F-VF @ \$70
 Numismatic Gallery 8-22-1953, lot 1888 F
 James Kelly 2-8-1954, lot 476 VG @ \$53
 Sotheby & Co. 2-24-1954, lot 1705 @ \$80
 Hollinbeck 3-5-1954
 Numismatic Gallery 4-30-1954, lot 463 F \$137.50
 Hollinbeck 7-9-1954
 Stack's 11-11-1954, lot 1347 VF @ \$135
 Stack's 2-26-1955. Lot 169 G
 Bebees 8-24-1955, lot 670 AU @ \$180
 James Kelly 8-22-1956, lot 1 UNC @ \$470
 James Kelly 8-22-1956, lot 2 XF @ \$215
 Abe Kosoff 10-10-1957, lot 988 @ \$387*
 Stack's 6-26-1958, lot 184 UNC @ \$425 (no plate)*
 Kreisberg-Schuman 4-3-1959 @ \$375
 Stack's 5-1-1959, lot 660 AG @ \$155
 Stack's 5-4-1960, lot 1125 VF
 Stack's 5-4-1960, lot 1126 VF @ \$230
 Abner Kreisberg 2-16-1961, lot 2476 XF @ \$770
 The first sale over \$500
 Abner Kreisberg 3-21-1962, lot 867 XF @ \$800
 Abner Kreisberg 3-21-1962, lot 868 F @ \$550
 Stack's 6-19-1962, lot 16 XF @ \$950
 Stack's 6-19-1962, lot 514 AG @ \$185
 Abner Kreisberg 1-17-1963, lot 2652 XF
 Stack's 3-2-1963, lot 99 Pr-Fr @ \$130
 New Netherlands 12-10-1963, lot 349 F @ \$650
 Federal Brand 1-20-1966, lot 505 VF
 New England Rare Coin 1-28-1966
 Stack's 4-21-66, lot 112
 Hollinbeck 4-25-1966
 Hollinbeck 7-30-1966
 Stack's 6-2-1967, lot 1069 F
 Paramount 8-12-1967, lot 2513 G
 Lester Merkin 9-20-1967, lot 210 VG
 Hollinbeck 9-16-1968
 RARCOA 5-2-1969, lot 24 XF @ \$950
 Harmer Rooke 11-17-1969, lot 976
 Harmer Rooke 11-17-1969, lot 977
 Coins & Currency 5-21-1970, lot 1540
 New Netherlands 6-30-1970, lot 199 F @ \$950
 RARCOA 2-24-1972, lot 308 VG @ \$400
 Stack's 9-15-1972, lot 588 VF @ \$1200
 Abner Kreisberg 1-27-1975, lot 894 VF/F
 Bowers & Ruddy 1-30-1975, lot 192 VF @ \$1750
 New England Rare Coin 11-9-1975
 Stack's 8-24-1976, lot 543 XF @ \$4250
 Robert Hughes 2-3-1978, lot 1387 XF-45 @ \$4100
 Stack's 3-17-1978, lot 841 @ \$6000
 Stack's 4-11-1978, lot 417 MS-65 @ \$15,500*
 Kurt Krueger 2-18-1982, lot 254 F @ \$2700

Bowers & Ruddy 3-18-1982, lot 1440 XF @ \$8000
Steve Ivy 8-17-1982, lot 272 VF-20 @ \$1,900
Sotheby & Co, 3-4-1983, lot 138 @ \$2,310
Kurt Krueger 6-22-1983, lot 1444 VF-20 @ \$4,600
Early American 7-17-1984
NASCA 10-8-1984, lot 1361
Stack's 1-14-1987, lot 1192 @ \$5,225
McIntyre 5-7-1987, lot 1534 F @ \$2,200

Newport Beach 6-24-1988, lot 80
Bank Leu 10-24-1990, lot 1590 VG
RARCOA 5-1-1992
Heritage 8-16-1995, lot 5109 F-12 @ \$6,160
R. M. Smythe 3-15-2004, lot 1312 VF-20 @ \$73,000
Scotsman 7-1-2004, lot 1 G-4 @ \$21,275
*Also listed in section UN Unlinked Appearances

Ads in *The Numismatist*

The ads in *The Numismatist* record dealer ownership and coins that may not have been sold through auctions. Most of these periods of ownership are not recorded in the census.

Aug 1902: 250, Roland G. Parvin, 1792 Birch Cent, Fine condition. Then on Oct 1902: 323 and Nov 1902: 356, St. Louis Stamp & Coin advertised that they had this piece in stock. This was the Dexter/Parvin specimen

Sep 1903: 285, an exchange request from New Haven, Connecticut, offering a 1792 half disme.

May 1904: 159, St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co., still had a Birch Cent in stock.

Nov 1904: 356, J. T. Crawford, 1792 half disme, not priced.

Mar 1905: 101, Thomas L. Elder, 1792 Martha Washington ½ disme, fine \$15.

Feb 1908: 65, Arnold Numismatic Co., Martha Washington ½ disme, fine, \$12.50.

Apr 1921: 177, May 1921: 226, June 1921: 274, Aug 1921: 374, Sep 1921: 419, Norman Schultz, 1792 half disme, V. G. not priced.

Nov 1921: 553, Norman Schultz, 1792 half disme, V. G. \$25.

Jan 1924: 47, Feb 1924: 206, Mar 1924: 288, Norman Schultz, Martha Washington Half Disme V. F., \$35. Same, V. G., \$25.

Oct 1927: 655, California Stamp Company, 1792 half disme, very fine for coin, rare \$65.

Nov 1928: 696, D. L. Angell, 1792 half disme, a sharp proof, \$85.

Jan 1934: 78, Ambrose J. Brown, 1792 half disme, obv. V. Fine, rev., Good \$30.

Dec 1937: 1163, John L. Dibrell, 1792 half disme, Badly blistered planchet on obverse, but fine date. Otherwise very good to fine for this variety, \$20. Also 1792 half disme. Holed above head, otherwise will average fine for this rare piece, \$10.

Jan 1939: 52, William Rabin, 1792 half disme, holed over head, otherwise very good, fine sharp date \$5.

Mar 1941: 213, Arthur B. Kelley, 1792 half disme, Fine, Very Rare, \$50.

Oct 1944: 936, Celina Coin Company, silver center-cent, unc. \$600.

Oct 1944: 937, Celina Coin Company, 1792 half disme, XF \$125.

Nov 1944: 1036, B. Max Mehl, 1792 half disme, very fine, \$75.

Nov 1945: 1247, Celina Coin Company, 1792 half disme, very fine, \$125. Silver center cent, about uncirculated \$600.

Aug 1946: 946, Celina Coin Company, 1792 Disme, ex. Parmelee, P.O.A., the Granberg / Green coin.

Sep 1946: 1107, Kenneth W. Lee, 1792 half disme, very good, \$45.

Nov 1946: 1327, Celina Coin Company, 1792 disme in silver, thick planchet, unique \$750. (Partrick) 1792 silver center cent, Unc. \$600.

Aug 1947: A464/647, John R. Slusher, 1792 half disme, uncirculated \$225.

Sep 1950: 659, Gimbels Coin Department, 1792 half disme, XF, as part of a set.

Nov 1950: A488/798, New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc., 1792 half disme, Fine, Scarce \$100.

Feb 1956: 224, Hollinbeck Kagin had a Birch Cent, not priced.

Mar 1956: 319, R. Green, 1792 U. S. Pattern Cent, Bust of Martha Washington, EF \$150.

Jan 1958: 92, Jerry Cohen, 1792 half disme, Obv. Fine, Rev. Good., \$135, almost fine, \$185.

Dec 1958: 1519, Abner Kreisberg, 1792 half disme F-VF, P.O.R., Another – Fine P.O.R.

Jan 1961: 54, Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company, 1792 half disme in Fine, Very Fine, Nearly Uncirculated, Uncirculated and GEM. Unpriced.

Feb 1961: 281, Lee & Vi Mason, 1792 half disme, VF, \$500.

Aug 1961: 1128, Empire Coin Co announced purchase of the Lennox Lohr collection including a silver center-cent, in light brown AU condition, offered at \$6750. This was the Davis/Jenks/Smithsonian piece.

Jan 1962: 68, Hollinbeck Kagin Coin Company, 1792 half disme, unpriced.

July 1962: 957, Max L. Justus and Beverly Hills Stamp & Coin Shop offered a 1792 Silver Disme in Unc and a 1792 "Half Eagle" in copper.

Oct 1962: 1360. Pickwick Coin Company (Philip E. Benedetti) offered a 1792 disme in copper, Ex-Wurtzbach. This eventually became the Partrick coin. The ad also listed a Birch Cent, about uncirculated.

June 1963: 872, Pickwick Coin Company again listed a 1792 disme in copper, Ex-Wurtzbach \$8,750.

July 1963: 1004, Abner Kreisberg, 1792 half disme, obverse fine, reverse somewhat weak, \$450.

May 1963: 681, A. Kosoff offered a silver-centered-cent, a Birch Cent, a Disme in silver and the "Half Eagle" in copper. These are probably all remainders from the Judd collection.

July 1964: 942, Abner Kreisberg, 1792 half disme, practically uncirculated, \$1250.

Nov 1964: 1567, Again Pickwick Coin Company (Benedetti) offered a 1792 disme in copper, Ex-Wurtzbach, now priced at \$10,000.

Feb 1965: 233, A. Kosoff, Inc., Silver-center-cent, \$8000. Also the 1792 "Half Eagle" pattern in copper, the Partrick Eagle-on-Globe pattern.

Mar 1965: 412; Apr 1965: 627, A fourth and fifth offering by Pickwick of the 1792 disme in copper, Ex-Wurtzbach, now priced at \$10,500.

Aug 1968: 1064, Abner Kreisberg, 1792 half disme, beautifully toned uncirculated, \$2250.

Aug 1968: 1077, Sep 1969: 1234, Paramount International Coin Corporation, 1792 half disme VG/G \$499. Fine/VG \$695.

Feb 1969: 199, A. Kosoff, Inc., 1792 half disme, a gem \$2750.

Aug 1970: IFC, New Netherlands, 1792 half disme, About Uncirculated, \$2,250.

Aug 1970: 1227, James F. Ruddy, 1792 half disme, AU, unpriced.

Feb 1984: 424, Herb Tobias, 1792 (slight repair) half disme, \$5,000.

Exhibition

The Numismatist reported on club meetings and occasionally on the exhibition of 1792 coins. These reports identify current owners who may not be included with the census listings. Life dates help define the potential periods of ownership.

April 7, 1908, at the Chicago Numismatic Society, Virgil Brand (1862-1926) exhibited a silver-center-cent, possibly the Brand/Starr piece.

In 1912 the ANA held their convention in association with host club, the Rochester Numismatic Association. Many exhibits were shown including

an uncirculated silver-center-cent displayed by Carl Wurtzbach (1864-1947). This was the Bushnell/Brand coin.

In 1913, the ANA met at Detroit. Carl Wurtzbach again exhibited his silver-center-cent and a copper disme, the Partrick coin.

A great exhibition of United States and Colonial Coins was held at the American Numismatic Society January 17 to February 18, 1914. Judson Brenner exhibited a 1792 half disme. H. O. Granberg exhibited a 1792 half disme and 1792 reeded edge disme in silver, the Granberg/Green specimen. William H. Woodin exhibited two examples of 1792 half disme. These cannot currently be traced. Carl Wurtzbach exhibited a 1792 half disme, a 1792 disme in copper (Partrick) and a silver-center-cent (Bushnell/Brand).

1914, at the ANA convention, Carl Wurtzbach exhibited an uncirculated "Martha Washington half disme" in silver, a very fine disme in copper (Partrick) and a silver-center-cent (Bushnell / Brand).

1914, at the ANA convention, H. O. Granberg (1860-1947) showed a 1792 half disme and a reeded edge disme in silver, the Granberg/Green specimen.

1916, at the ANA convention, Judson Brenner (1862-1929) exhibited a Birch Cent and a silver-center-cent.

1919, at the ANA convention, Henry Chapman (1859-1935) exhibited a Birch Cent, a silver-center cent and a 1792 half disme.

January 24, 1920, at the Boston Numismatic Society, Fred Joy exhibited an extra fine silver center cent, later acquired by B. Max Mehl in 1925.

October 8, 1920, at the New York Numismatic Club, Elliott Smith (1866-1944) exhibited an extremely fine 1792 half disme. Smith was Life Member #1 of the ANA.

April 4, 1923, at the Chicago Coin Club, John Kelly exhibited a 1792 half disme.

1923, at the ANA convention, George C. Arnold exhibited a "Martha Washington half disme."

1926, at the ANA convention, S. H. Chapman (1857-1931) exhibited a 1792 Birch cent. This was awarded a prize for best exhibit.

1929, at the ANA convention, William F. Dunham (1857-1936) exhibited a 1792 half disme.

March 1, 1932, at the 459th meeting of the Rochester Numismatic Association, John C. Woodbury exhibited a 1792 half disme in very fine condition.

1933, at the ANA convention, Edgar H. Adams spoke about the William H. Woodin collection. It included a 1792 half disme and a Birch Cent.

October 4, 1933, at the Ohio State Numismatic Society convention, P. W. Locher exhibited a complete set of half dimes including 1792 and 1802.

July 13, 1934, at the New York Numismatic Club, Otto Sghia (1899-1959) exhibited a 1792 half disme.

October 12, 1934, at the New York Numismatic Club, Elliott Smith exhibited a 1792 copper disme.

October 24, 1934, at the Bronx Coin Club, Otto Sghia exhibited his 1792 half disme again.

December 4, 1934, at the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, A. C. Gies (1855-1944) exhibited a "Martha Washington half disme" in fine condition.

February 19, 1936, at the Hartford Numismatic Society, Albert C. Bates exhibited a 1792 pattern cent from the collection of the Connecticut Historical Society.

December 11, 1936, at the New York Numismatic Club, Farran Zerbe (1871-1949) exhibited a 1792 half disme in copper "for discussion as to its genuineness."

January 4, 1937, at the New Castle (PA) Coin Club, Albert Gutentag (1892-1967) of Cleveland exhibited a 1792 half disme, "struck from Martha Washington's silver teaspoons."

January 5, 1937, at the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, J. Verner Scaife (1903-1953) exhibited a 1792 half disme in very good condition.

April 26, 1937, at the Madison (Wisconsin) Coin Club, founder and past president Reverend Fred W. Harris (-1939) exhibited a "Martha Washington half disme."

December 10, 1937, at the New York Numismatic Club, F. C. C. Boyd (1886-1958) exhibited a 1792

disme in silver, a 1792 disme in copper "original silver plated", and two 1792 half dismes.

February 3, 1938, at the Pittsburgh Coin Club, H. D. Gibbs exhibited a 1792 Birch cent and a 1792 disme in copper.

June 10, 1938, at the Tri-State Convention (NY, OH, PA), H. D. Gibbs again exhibited his Birch Cent and 1792 copper disme.

1938, at the ANA convention, Joseph Barnet exhibited a 1792 half disme.

October 4, 1938, at the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, Mr. Locker exhibited a 1792 half disme.

October 6, 1938, at the Pittsburgh Coin Club, Mr. Gibbs again exhibited his Birch Cent and 1792 disme in copper.

January 30, 1939, at the Boston Numismatic Society, Walter P. Nichols (1889-1941) read a paper on the 1792 half disme and exhibited an example.

Feb 6, 1939, at the Washington Numismatic Society, Mrs. Edness K. Wilkins (1896-1980) exhibited a 1792 half disme. She was secretary to Director of the Mint Nellie Tayloe Ross.

February 22, 1939, at the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, J. Vernon Scaife, Jr. (1903-1953) exhibited a 1792 half disme in very good condition.

At the 1939 ANA convention, A. B. Kelley (1893-1963) exhibited a silver-center-cent. B. Max Mehl also exhibited a 1792 silver-center-cent.

September 8, 1939, at the New York Numismatic Club, O. T. Sghia (1889-1959) exhibited his 1792 half disme.

November 3, 1939, at the Omaha Coin Club, club president Dr. Judd exhibited a 1792 half disme.

1939, at the New York convention, F. C. C. Boyd exhibited a 1792 half disme and disme.

February 7, 1940, at the Brooklyn Coin Club, Mr. Sghia exhibited his 1792 half disme.

February 19, 1940, at the Akron (OH) Coin Club, C. W. McKinney exhibited a 1792 half disme.

March 9, 1940, at the Columbus Numismatic Society, Michael F. Higgy exhibited a 1792 Birch Cent, said to be the finest known.

April 4, 1940, at the Brooklyn Coin Club, Mr. Sghia again showed his 1792 half disme.

July 2, 1940, at the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, Mr. Locher exhibited a 1792 half disme.

March 1941, at the Washington Numismatic Society, Mrs. Edness K. Wilkins exhibited a 1792 half disme.

April 7, 1943, at the Brooklyn Coin Club, Mr. Kosoff exhibited a 1792 half disme.

September 25, 1944, at the Reading Coin Club, George Young exhibited a 1792 Birch Cent.

November 23, 1944, at the Bronx Coin Club, Martin Kortjohn (1903-1979) exhibited a 1792 half disme, the Adams-Woodin plate coin (coin 15-1).

1945, at the Omaha Coin Club, Dr. J. Hewitt Judd exhibited a 1792 Birch Cent, eagle cent, silver-center-cent, half disme, and copper disme.

December 13, 1945, at the New Jersey Numismatic Society, Mr. Purrington exhibited a 1792 half disme,

1946, at the ANA convention, Dr. Judd exhibited a Birch Cent, eagle cent, silver-center-cent, and disme.

February 28, 1947, at the Cincinnati Numismatic Association, Sol Kaplan (1899-1979) exhibited both varieties of Birch Cent.

March 28, 1947, at the Cincinnati Numismatic Association, Sol Kaplan exhibited an uncirculated silver-center-cent.

March 12, 1948, at the New York Numismatic Club. President Joseph Spray exhibited a 1792 disme, probably the finest known.

In 1949 the ANA convention was in San Francisco. Dr. J. Hewitt Judd spoke on U. S. Pattern Coins. He also won the grand prize for his exhibit in the Educational classification. His exhibit was not described in *The Numismatist*.

February 7, 1951, at the Brooklyn Coin Club, Homer K. Downing exhibited a 1792 half disme.

May 15, 1951, at the Philadelphia Coin Club, William C. Boston exhibited two 1792 half dismes. They sold at James Kelly's sale of 8/22/1956, lots 1 & 2.

June 3, 1952, at the Rochester Numismatic Society, John Pittman exhibited a 1792 half disme (coin 66-1).

In 1952 Dr. J. Hewitt Judd won the Howland Wood Award for Best-of-Show Exhibit. His exhibit was for pattern, experimental and trial pieces. *The Numismatist* did not mention specific coins.

November 12, 1953, at the Daytona Beach Numismatic Club, Kirk Adams exhibited a Birch Cent, the Bushnell / Jenks / Green coin.

July 9, 1954, at the New York Numismatic Club, Willard Blaisdell exhibited a 1792 half disme in uncirculated.

October 18, 1956, at the Miami Coin Club, Otto T. Sghia exhibited an uncirculated 1792 half disme.

March 12, 1957, at the Atlanta Coin Club, Jack H. Malsby exhibited a 1792 cent, no silver center.

Jan 1958, a 1792 half disme was on permanent display at the Kansas City Museum bequeathed by the late Joseph W. Schmandt.

July 1958, at the Long Island Coin Club, John Breen exhibited a 1792 half disme.

December 2, 1958, at the Rochester Numismatic Society, John J. Pittman exhibited his 1792 half disme again (coin 66-1).

January 7, 1959, at the Brooklyn Coin Club, William Wild exhibited an uncirculated 1792 half disme (60-1)

In 1960, at the Orange County Coin Club, Bryan Burke gave a five minute talk and exhibited his 1792 half disme.

April 1961, at the Buffalo (NY) Numismatic Association, Jesse Taylor exhibited pattern coins including a 1792 half disme (coin 45-1).

June 1961, at the Kenosha (WI) Coin Club. Kenneth Bressett, a new member, spoke about the 1792 half disme. He reported that about three remain in uncirculated condition and about 50 survive in other conditions.

April 26, 1964, Bryan Burke exhibited his 1792 half disme at the San Bernardino County Coin show.

October 1984, at the California State Numismatic Association convention, Bryan Burke exhibited a 1792 half disme.

In 2012, Princeton University mounted an exhibition on "Capping Liberty: The Invention of a Numismatic Iconography for the New American Republic" featuring one of the finest known 1792 half dismes.

In 2012, the ANA convention featured a 1792 half disme, recently donated to the ANA by Steve Contursi. It was shown again in 2013.

In 2013 the ANA showed a 1792 half disme MS-68 with a pedigree claimed back to Mint Director David Rittenhouse. The exhibit also showed the appointment document for Rittenhouse signed by George Washington and Thomas Jefferson. These were shown again in 2014, 2015 and 2018.

In 2014 the 1792 half disme and Rittenhouse appointment document were exhibited at Mount Vernon, courtesy of Brian and Barbara Hendelson.

In 2017 a benefit for Historic Rittenhouse Town was held at the Merion Cricket Club on May 17. Honored guest was John Mercanti. On exhibit was the finest known 1792 half disme MS-68.

The Resolute Americana Collection was shown at the Heritage table during the 2017 ANA World's Fair of Money in Denver. Included in the exhibit were seven examples of 1792 coinage including the Wolcott small pattern cent, Judd-2 (4); the Norweb Birch cent, Judd-5 (1); the Starr half disme Judd-7 (67-1); the unique copper die trial, Judd-8; the finest silver disme, Judd-9 and the poorest known silver disme, Judd-9; and the Partrick copper disme, Judd-10 (9) The exhibit also included the unique Adam Eckfeldt retirement medal in gold.

Also shown at the 2017 ANA WFM were a Birch Cent and Eagle on Globe pattern at the table of Kevin Lipton. At least five examples of 1792 half disme were available on the bourse.

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Page 207 [BOANC-P1] G*W.Pt. Large Experimental Cent. Judd-6



New and improved photos were provided by Bill Eckberg for the NNP Symposium on November 4, 2023.

Viewers who have seen the coin in 2023 report that the choker on the neck is cut into the surface as a scratch rather than raise as if beads were cut in the die.

[BOANC-P4] 1792 Disme – Copper, Judd-10

Page 208 (1) Garrett

Add to pedigree: Heritage 1/14/2022, lot 4781 @ [\$975,000 hammer] \$1,170.000..

Page 208 (2) Judd

Pedigree: Peter Gshwend; Thomas Elder 6/15/1908, lot 117 @ \$100; Henry C. Jewett; S. H. Chapman 6/21/1909, lot 391 @ \$180.

Later Virgil M. Brand; Brand (journal 49190).

Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers 8/23/2022, lot 7007 @ [\$750,000 hammer] \$900.000.

Page 208 (3) Weinberg

Now in PCGS AU-55 11026.55/35744099

Add to pedigree: Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4321 @ [\$280,000 Hammer] \$336,000.

Page 209 (5) Lauder Add to pedigree:

Virgil M. Brand; Brand, (journal 8731); Hollinbeck Coin Company 9/30/1952, lot 2151; There is correspondence in the Newman files indication that Art Kagin offered this to EPN in 1952.

Page 209 (8) [Liberty] Previously offered as Heritage 8/12/2015 lot 3986, PCGS AU-50

11026.50/13417126. Owned by Chuck Link in 2016. Heritage 9/7/2017 lot 3780, @ [\$150,000 hammer] \$180,000.

Page 210 (9) Partrick Add to pedigree:

Carl Wurtzbach 3/7/1919; to Virgil M. Brand, (journal 92002 140) 1/1/1941; to Armin Brand.



Page 210 (11) [Stack's 1976: 131] Previously listed in BOANC as EF; now certified by PCGS as AU-58 11026.58+/35782546 CAC

Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers Archangel Collection 10/26/2018, lot 7153 @ [300,000 Hammer] \$360,000. [Seen by author (PS) 8/16/2018]

Page 211 (13) [ANR 2006:17]

Add to pedigree: Heritage 4/25/2019, lot 3694 @ [\$155,000 hammer] \$186,000. Seen by author (PS) at lot viewing 4/25/19. Heritage 6/17/2021, lot 3242 @

[\$115,000 hammer] \$138,000; Heritage 1/12/2023 lot 3988 @ [\$110,000 hammer] \$132,000.

Page 211 (16) [River Oaks]

PCGS SP08 11026.08/37861486

Vertical edge reeding. Obverse fine horizontal scratch across bust even with truncation. Reverse rotated to 200°. [Seen by author (PS) 8/13/19]
Add to pedigree: E. Horatio Morgan Collection, 2/1988; Stack's Bowers 8/15/2019, Lot 5071 @ (\$52,525 hammer) \$63,000.

Offered on eBay by NFC Coins December 2019 at \$89,500. Still offered in January 2020 @ \$89,500.

Page 212 Other Appearances Add to pedigree:

Thomas Elder 7/9/1920, lot 657 @ \$50; Virgil M. Brand, (journal 95796).

BOANC-P5, Judd-11.

Page 212 (2) [Lohr] Last offered as Stacks 10/19/2005, lot 1378, NGC MS-61 BN; Robert Simpson Collection. Owned by Chuck Link in 2016.

Offered by Heritage at 2017 FUN 1/5/2017, lot 5519. Failed to meet reserve of \$220,000 hammer. Offered after auction at \$258,500.

Page 213 (3) Goldberg Seen by author (LA) at 2019 FUN Show, offered at \$85,000.

[BOANC-P6] Disme-Silver – Judd-9

Page 213 The Granberg-Green Coin.

After the sale, Robert Rodriguez acquired a letter from Edward Cogan dated January 1, 1864. He mentioned that the coin had scratches which he had removed.

[BOANC-P7] Disme – Silver – Thick Planchet

Page 214 (1) [Mickley / Cohen] Add to pedigree: Mary Cruzan received the coin from the B. G. Johnson estate and consigned it to Schulman in 1952, then sold to Wayte Raymond in June 1956.

On January 13, 2020, Robert Rodriguez acquired the coin making him the owner of all three silver examples.

[BOANC-P11] Silver Center Cent – Judd-1

Page 215 (1) [Ellsworth / Garrett]

Offered by Legend Numismatics for \$5,500,000 in May 2019. From the Robert R. Simpson Collection.

Add to pedigree: Heritage 1/20/2021, Lot 3004, at [\$2,100,000 hammer] \$2,520,000; Robert Rodriguez.

Page 216 (4) [Bushnell / Brand] Add to pedigree: Carl Wurtzbach 3/7/1919; to Virgil M. Brand (journal 92002:147) 10/1/1938; to Armin Brand.

Page 217 (5) [Morris] Last owned by Cardinal Collection Education Foundation. Offered by Stack's 11/9/2017, lot 10003 @ [\$750,000 hammer] \$900,000. After the sale there was a dispute over the condition of the silver plug and the coin was returned.

Page 217 (6) Weinberg

Now certified PCGS SP58+ 11001.58+/35744102
Add to pedigree: Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4308 @ [\$625,000 Hammer] \$750,000 on an internet bid; Robert Rodriguez, Resolute Americana Collection.

Page 217 (8) [Kendall] Last offered as Stack's Bowers 3/26/2015, lot 2573 PCGS AU-53 11001.53/28491957. Owned in 2016 by Chuck Link.



Page 218 (10) [Judd]

PCGS SP-45 11001.45/35782545 CAC

Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers Archangel Collection, 10/26/2018, lot 7152 @ [\$280,000 Hammer] \$336,000. [Seen by author (PS) 8/16/18]

Page 218 The (11) Mickley/Cohen Silver Center Cent, NGC VF-30 was offered by Stack's Bowers on 8/11/2016, lot 3010. It failed to meet the reserve of \$260,000. Offered on eBay in September 2016 for \$330,000. It was listed by NFC Coins (Numismatic Financial Corporation).

Page 219 (12) [Brand Starr] Add to pedigree Lorin G. Parmelee 9/9/1899 @ \$50; to Brand. [Brand journal 20765]

Page 219 (13) [New-1997]
 Add to pedigree: Heritage 4/25/2019, lot 3667 @ [\$280,000 hammer] \$336,000. Seen by author (PS) at lot viewing 4/25/19.



Page 219 (14) [California] NGC VG-Details-Plug Replaced, Repaired, Scratched 2070988-001. Examined by NGC and found to have a plug made of ferrous metal.

Pedigree: Heritage 11/2/2017, lot 16608 @ [65,000 hammer] \$78,000; Heritage 8/4/2020, lot 3905. [\$ 44,000 Hammer] \$52,800; Key Date Coins, 6/9/2021, lot 742, estimated at \$300,000, realized \$94,000.

Prior Compilations of Census – Silver Center Cent

Breen, Walter. Pine Tree Rare Coin Auction Sales; The G.E.N.A. '74 Sale; 09/18-21/1974, Lot 1272A. A listing of seven pieces based on Breen's review of 800 to 1000 catalogs. He missed the Stearns piece and combined others in a confusing mixture of pedigrees. Among the errors, this linked the current sale of the Morris/Sloss piece with the Davis/Jenks pedigree.

Bowers & Ruddy Galleries, Inc.; *The River Oaks & C.W. Krugjohann Collections*, 11/11-13/1976, Lot 908. Lists 11 pieces based on Breen listing with four more pieces. Their No. 11 was a reappearance of their No. 3.

Rubin, P. Scott. "Auction Appearances and Pedigrees of the 1792 Silver Center Cent" Coinage of the Americas Conference, *America's Copper Coinage 1783-1857*. Rubin's review of 3200 auction catalogs and enumeration of 38 auction appearances.

Breen, Walter. *Walter Breen's Complete Encyclopedia of U.S. and Colonial Coins*. Breen cites Rubin's 1985 listing among his references. However, Rubin based his analysis partially on Breen's unpublished manuscript.

Bowers & Merena, Inc. *The Norweb Collection* 11/14-15/1988. A listing of eleven pieces, moving the Gschwend piece from the Norweb pedigree to the Ellsworth / Garrett list. Rubin had not seen the Gschwend plate.

Pollock, Andrew W. III. *United States Patterns and Related Issues*. 1994. Based on both the Rubin and Norweb listings. This is now considered to be correct up to the time.

Stack's, *The Legendary Collection of Floyd T. Starr*. 10/20-22/1992. Under lot 3, states that the Wurtzbach coin is not 7 in the Norweb catalog, but should be one of the uncirculated coins, 1 or 2. However, The Wurtzbach coin, plated in the 1914 ANS exhibit catalog, matches plates for the Bushnell / Brand piece.

Stack's. *Selections from the Hain Family Collection* 01/15-17/2002. Again, the Wurtzbach pedigree is questioned.

Heritage 1/7/2009 Lists 13 items including the 1892 Woodside piece as a separate item, not linked to the Seavy pedigree. This also lists the 1997 Willmott / Glendining piece as a new discovery.

Other Appearances:

January 1852, Jacob Giles Morris and James Hall had one, Mickley did not;
 John K. Wiggan; Edward Cogan 3/25/1862, lot 747 @ \$52;
 Finotti collection; W. Elliot Woodward 11/11/1862, lot 1528 @ \$52.50 to Bacon;
 Benjamin Haines; Edward Cogan /Bangs 01/19/1863. Lot 780 @ \$33;
 Heman Ely; W. Elliot Woodward 1/08/1884, lot 444 @ \$25;
 Matthews collection; W. Elliot Woodward 12/16/1885, lot 2120;
 H. G. Brown collection; Lyman Low 10/11/1904, lot 209 @ \$7.50;
 1916: Judson Brenner (1862-1929) exhibited one in Boston;
 Thomas Elder 10/27/1926, lot 1436;
 Thomas Elder 01/22/1936, lot 2968 @ \$390;
 Ira S. Reed 8/19/1941 ANA sale, lot 77, VF @ \$205;
 Celina Coin Co 12th sale, 2/5/1945. Lot 2022, Uncirculated;
 Celina Coin Co. 10/8/1949, lot 591 Uncirculated;
 Jay Parrino had two at one time.

BOANC-P13, Judd-2. Small Pattern Cent - Copper

Page 220 (2) [Brand / Norweb]

Charles Steigerwalt offered the coin in a fixed price sale May 1, 1892, with this description. "1792. Silver-Centre Cent. This specimen is struck on a full copper planchet – no hole for silver centre – and is rarer than the silver centre specimen. I know of no duplicate. Barely circulated. Dark Olive. 100.00."

Now certified PCGS SP53 11005.53/357444101

Add to pedigree: Steigerwalt 10/1900 to Hall @ \$50; Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4309 @ [\$460,000 Hammer] \$552,000 on a mail bid.

(3) [Garrett]

Add to pedigree:

Cogan 5/11/1859, lot 611 @ \$30.50.

Last offered as Heritage 1/8/2015, lot 5503, NGC XF-30 BN 2048716-003. Owned in 2016 by Chuck Link.

Page 221 (5) Mickley/Lauder

Stack's Bowers 8/3/2017, lot 2004 {\$200,000 hammer) \$235,000; Denis Loring. Seen by author (PS) on 7-1-2017.

Page 221 (7) [Lohr]

Correction: Thomas Elder 10/17/1908, lot 617. Add to pedigree: Waldo Newcomer, 1930's.

Page 221 (8) [Harmer-Rooke]



Not illustrated in BOANC. Photo from *New York Times* 6/22/1969. The coin was tested by D. Paul Taxay in the state-of-the-art authentication lab at Harmer-Rooke. It was described as billion but no percentages were given.

Obverse: The 7 in the date is weak, as also seen on items (1), (3), (6) and (7).

Pedigree: The sale was described as private to William Anton, Jr. He was vice president at Harmer-Rooke.

BOANC-P14 Large Pattern Cent Judd-5

Page 222 (1) Norweb

This is the Crosby plate coin Plate X (20)

Add to Pedigree: Waldo Newcomer, 1930's.

Unreliable pedigree: The two Stack's sales in 1946 and 1947 mention one star but list the variety as AW-10, the two star variety, Judd-4.



New Coin (3) PCGS Genuine / Birch Cent - XF Details / Denticles Repaired / Edge Filed – Judd Unknown / 11112.98/82472584, 262.2 grains, 32 mm, die alignment 330 degrees.

Obverse slightly off center toward K-12. Fine line from 2nd C in SCIENCE up into bust. Many fine dark lines in planchet. Reverse off center toward K-10. Described as having a filed edge with some repair to the denticles.

This meets the general description found in the catalog for the Parmelee sale in 1890. "Cannot be said to be a plain edge as it is filed down." There is no other connection to fill a 127 year gap in pedigree.

Pedigree: Heritage 8/2/2017, lot 3880, (\$180,000 hammer) \$211,500; A. Peter Weiss.

The three authors met with Robert Rodriguez on August 1, 2017, to compare this coin with the one owned by Rodriguez. One observation is that the Rodriguez coin has coin alignment. The Heritage coin has medal turn offset by about 30 degrees.

BOANC-P15 Large Pattern Cent Judd-4

Page 223 (2) [Bushnell / Jenks / Green / Kendall]

Add to pedigree:

Cogan/Bangs 4/7/1863, lot 1073 @ \$205;

Frank & Laurese Katen 8/27/1948, lot 769;

Hollinbeck-Kagin 3/5/1964, lot 1444;

Last offered as Stack's Bowers 3/26/2015, lot 2577.

PCGS AU-58 11011.58/28585697. Owned in 2016 by Chuck Link.

Page 223 (3) [Colonial Williamsburg]

Add to pedigree: Waldo Newcomer, 1930's.

Page 224 (6) Smithsonian Add to pedigree:

Dewitt Smith 12/31/1908: Virgil M. Brand (journal 46506).



Page 224 (7) [Nippert] Add color image from Goldberg Sale of 6/5/2016, lot 37.

BOANC-P-16, Judd 3.



Page 225: Saul Teichman was able to prove conclusively that the images of the Judd coin (1) and Jay / Park coin (2) are of the same coin. Teichman has provided this tentative pedigree:

Cogan / Bangs J. N. T. Levick sale 12/19/1859, lot 219 @ \$66.50;
William S. Appleton;
DeWitt Smith 12/31/1908;
Virgil Brand (journal 46505);
Judd plate coin, Dr, Judd after 1946;
Kosoff "Illustrated History" 1962, lot 10;
Charles Jay collection, Stack's 10/1967, lot 179;
Laird U. Park collection, Stack's 5/26/1976, lot 201;
Private collection.

Page 225 (1) [Judd] Add to pedigree:
Haseltine 1/19/1885, lot 1058 @ \$140.

The 2018 catalog identifies this as "coin turn" which is unusual for 1792 patterns. The spotting prominent on the 1976 plate appears insignificant in 2018.
Add to pedigree: Stack's Bowers Archangel Collection 10/26/2018, lot. 7151 @ [\$550,000 Hammer] \$660,000. [Seen by author (PS) 8/16/18]

Page 226 (2) [Bushnell / Brand] Add to pedigree:
Dewitt Smith 12/31/1908; Virgil M Brand (journal 46508).

BOANC-P18, Judd-13.

Page 226 (1) [Norweb] Last offered as Heritage 1/8/2015, lot 5512. NGC XF-45 2048716-013. Owned in 2016 by Chuck Link.

In 2018 the coin was crossed to a PCGS holder as SP 40; 11036.40/35252313.



The photo shows damage where the four prongs on the NGC holder compressed the white metal through the raised rims.

Page 226 (4) [NYHS] NGC AU 58 6056213-002
Heritage 4/25/2021, lot 4960 at [\$1,050,000]
\$1,260,000; Rob Rodriguez.

Page 227 [BOANC-P!9] Uniface Obverse PCGS AU53 11037.53/40264884 CAC

Obverse / Reverse has raised arc that does not appear on photo. Seen by author [PS] at lot viewing August 12. 2021.

Page 227 [BOANC-P20] Uniface Reverse NGC XF-45 3063607-006

Reverse / Reverse has raised arc that does not appear on photo. Seen by author [PS] at lot viewing August 12. 2021.

NGC indicates composition as 43% Pb, 39% FE, 16% Sn, 28.0 grams.

Heritage, two coin lot 3035. August 18, 2021 @ [\$150,000 hammer] \$180,000.

Chapter 11 Historical Collections of 1792 Coinage

With acquisition of the Weinberg Silver Center Cent in 2019, Robert Rodriguez moves up with eight 1792 patterns in his Resolute Americana Collection.

The Rodriguez collection grew to nine examples with acquisition of Judd-9a in January, 2020, and to ten with acquisition of the Garrett Judd-1 on January 20, 2021.

The collection grew to eleven examples with acquisition of the white metal Judd-13 in April, 2021, and to twelve with acquisition of the Denman half disme on January 13, 2022.

Page 274 – The Brand Collection

Additional holdings in the Brand collection were discovered among the Brand ledgers at the American Numismatic Society that were made available through the Newman Numismatic Portal.

The Brand collection is now known to have included 26 examples of the patterns of 1792 including Judd-1 (4), Judd-2 (1), Judd-3 (1), Judd-4 (1), Judd-7 (10), Judd-9 (1), Judd-10 (7) and Judd-12 (1).

Chapter 12 The Coinage of 1792 in Popular Culture



The 1792 Half Disme was shown in print ads for banks in 1936. The ad on the left is from page 8 of *The Evening Independent* (Massillon, Ohio) on February 8, 1936. The ad on the right is from page 7 of *The Indiana (PA) Progress* on April 15, 1936.

It is likely that the two ads have a source in common but that source has not been identified.

Chapter 13 Copies, Replicas and Fantasies

Washington Large Eagle Cent

Robinson Copy EF-45, Stack's Bowers 2/2014, lot 484 @ 188.

Robinson Copy AU-50, surface damage, rim ding. Stack's Bowers 8/15/2016, lot 4382 @ \$20.

Robinson copy, MS-63 BN. Coin Galleries July 1993, lot 2057; Presidential Coin June 2011, lot 130; Stack's Bowers 11/4/2016 lot 5151 @ 282.

Electrotype copy, lettered edge, EF-40. James McCallum Collection, March 1974; Stack's Bowers 3/26/2018, lot 5428 @ \$204.



Roman Head – Patrick Mint Struck Replica Obverse

27 mm, medal turn "ONE HALF OUNCE .999 COPPER"

Perkins Stars Over Eagle Cent – Lettered Edge

Alan Weinberg had an example of Baker 21, W-10670, an electrotype with lettered edge. It sold as Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4303 @ [\$3,400 Hammer] \$4,080.

1792 Uncirculated Set

A set of Gallery Mint replicas sold on eBay on 10-30-2016 for \$136.50.

A set was offered on eBay in July, 2017, for \$599.99. A set was offered on eBay in October 2017 for \$449.99.

Silver Center Cent [Judd-1]

A Gallery Mint replica sold on eBay on 1-25-2017 for \$45.44.

A Gallery Mint copy, ungraded, was offered on eBay in March 2018 for \$800.

Silver Center Cent without Silver Center [Judd-1a]

[GM-6] ICG MS 67 RD offered on eBay in January 2017 to July 2018 for \$500.

[GM-6] ICG MS 68 RD offered on eBay in January 2017 to July 2018 for \$800. Still on eBay in January to June 2019 at \$800.

Large Pattern Cent – G*W.Pt. reverse [Judd-6]

[GM-13] White Metal ICG MS-PR 68 offered on eBay in January 2017 to January 2018 for \$700.

Birch Cent

[GM-4] One sold on eBay on 11-13-16 for \$34.33.

[Judd-3] The Alan Weinberg electrotype, ex. Maurice Gould estate, sold as Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4310 @ [11,500 Hammer] \$13,800.

Half Disme - Copper

[GM-11] ICG MS 67 RD offered on eBay in January 2017 to March 2018 for \$500.

Half Disme – Silver

An example of the most common half disme replica [BOANC page 301] was offered on eBay in August to September 2017, for \$500.

An example of the most common silver half disme replica was sold by a Spanish seller for \$8 on March 11, 2018, about what it is worth. The same seller sold an example on March 18, 2018 for \$100. That seller has sold several examples at various prices.

An example of a Chinese replica, page 302, was offered on eBay in November 2022 with a "Buy it Now" price of \$70,500.

Half Disme – Silver Medal



Mint Director Edmund C. Moy lent his credibility to this issue of 2000 silver medals struck by the Sunshine Mint upon the 225th anniversary of production of the 1792 half dismes.

This was marketed by The Coin Vault and others as a "Restrike." It is not a restrike but rather a fantasy and novelty struck from new dies and a larger size than the originals.

Half Disme – Gold Medal



The 225th Anniversary Private Issue Gold Medal had 300 pieces struck as a 1/10 ounce gold piece. Although the coin was struck with "medal turn," the medals are struck with "coin turn." The medal is about the same diameter as the actual coin.

Disme - Silver



A cast disme copy sold on eBay on September 10, 2017, for \$225.50.

Disme – Copper



Copper Disme Electrotype copy, photo provided by Winston Zack on April 1, 2017. The copy cannot be matched to a host coin. It is very similar to the Brand/Park coin on page 210.



Copper Disme Oversized Novelty Replica, 47 mm. Reverse marked "COPY." Appears to be a Morgan Mint copy. Discovered after publication of BOANC.

[GM-12] An uncertified piece was offered on eBay in January 2017 for \$399.

[GM-12] ICG MS-68 offered on eBay in January to April 2017 for \$600.

An obvious copy of a 1792 disme was sold on eBay September 14, 2018, for \$2500 on a single bid.

[Eagle-on-Globe] – White Metal

Stack's Bowers offered a cast copy in their sale of August 16, 2023, lot 5024.
Pedigree: Stack's Bowers ANA auction August 2019, lot 539 @ \$3,120; Martin Logies collection.

[Eagle-on-Globe] - Copper

[GM-10] ICG MS 63 RD offered on eBay in January to April 2017 for \$300.

The eBay offerings at high prices probably do not reflect current market value.

The Alan Weinberg electrotype, ex. Maurice Gould estate, sold as Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4322 @ [11,000 Hammer] \$13,200 on a live bid.

Chapter 14 – Dickeson Fantasies

Page 313 Apparent new offering, NGC MS-64 BN 2307982-002. Mottled toning.

Pedigree: Heritage 4/27/2018, lot 5143 @ [\$2,200 hammer] \$2,640.

Page 313 New Offering PCGS MS64RB 679309.64/35743615.

Pedigree: Alan Weinberg; Heritage 1/10/2019, lot 4323 @ [\$4,200 Hammer] \$5.040 on a live bid.

Page 315 1805 Quarter Mule Judd-1801-1, Pollock 6105. ANACS MS 60 BRN 741547

Add to pedigree: Heritage 4/25-29/2018, lot 5144 @ [6,000 hammer] \$7200.

Page 315 1805 Half Eagle Mule (1) PCGS MS-62 673867.62/35090016.

Judd 1805-3, Pollock-6130.

Pedigree: Heritage 8/10/2007, lot 2777 @ \$3,220; New offering: Heritage June 15, 2108, lot 4984 @ [\$2,600 hammer] \$3,120.

Addenda I: The Road Not Taken

There is no “right” way to collect, and numismatists interested in 1792 need not confine themselves to United States issues of this year. The French coinage the French transition from monarchy to democracy. The engraver Augustin Dupre, so well known within American circles for the execution of the *Libertas Americana* medal,² was busy at work engraving dies for French coinage in 1792, and these pieces are considerably more accessible to the collector than their American counterparts. French coinage for 1792 is a cornucopia for type collectors. The absolute monarchy had given way to a constitutional monarchy in 1791, and, as sometimes happens, the Mint could not remain in lockstep with the lawmakers, and thus the royal coinage extended into 1792. Royal coins were struck until February 14, and these bore the expected symbols – the *fleur de lis* signifying the royal arms, and, if that was not clear enough, a crown reminded the public that there was still a king in France. The coinage of the constitutional monarchy played it both ways – the king remained on the obverse, but the reverse now featured a liberty cap, or the *fasces*, symbolizing collective power rather than the dominion of the individual sovereign. Finally, the *Convention Nationale* reconstituted the government yet again in September 1792. The monarchy was completely abolished (Louis XVI and his Queen Marie Antoinette were executed a few months later), and the coinage was updated to proclaim the rule of law.



French 1 sol essai in copper, PCGS SP55, Heritage Long Beach Signature Auction (September 2011), lot 27030, realized \$276.

The United States Congress was acutely aware of the unfolding drama in Paris, and, in this context, the debates in March 1792 surrounding the usage of Washington's portrait on the coinage were understandably passionate. While the federal government declined to honor Washington in metallic form, the general public demanded Washington pieces, and private coiners were happy to fulfill the wishes of the people. Today, the collecting of Washington pieces is a widely pursued specialty among token and medal collectors, and the obvious irony is that the Congressional neglect of Washington precisely led to the multitude of private issues. The Mint Director James Ross Snowden paid the ultimate numismatic compliment to the phenomenon in the

early 1860s. In his two-volume set describing the Mint Cabinet, a single volume was dedicated to the Washington pieces, and the other covered the remainder. Washington made his eventual debut on the quarter dollar in 1932, but by this time the Lincoln cent, beginning in 1909, had set precedent for the depiction of historical heroes on U.S. coinage.

The 1792-dated Washington pieces, discussed extensively in Chapters 3 and 4, are in particular highly prized, as these are seen as direct ancestors of the first federal coinage. The Guide Book lists none for less than four figures, and for reasonably detailed pieces, the price of entry will be substantially multiplied.



1792 Washington President Cent, General of the Armies Reverse, Baker-59, NGC XF45, Eric P. Newman Part V (Heritage Auctions 11/2014), lot 3032, realized \$55,812.50.

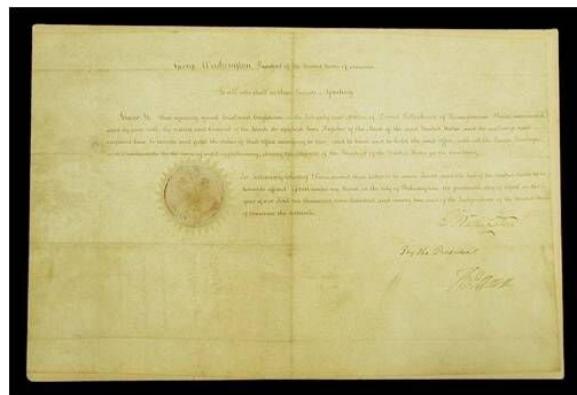
In addition to the 1792 Washington coinage, collectors may also pursue the 1792-dated Dickeson pieces that are covered in depth in chapter 14. Although 19th century fantasies, the Dickeson concoctions today support the idea that “collectors eventually become collectible themselves.” Dickeson was instrumental in the explosion of numismatic interest in the mid-19th century, and his American Numismatical Manual (1859), while not perfectly accurate, was the first comprehensive attempt to provide a guide for American collectors.³

Considering that Dickeson started virtually from scratch, the work is admirable, and set the standard for

all such future endeavors. Collectors have also pursued contemporary publications with significant numismatic content. An important group of such publications was assembled by Wayne Homren and dispersed by Kolbe & Fanning in a 2010 sale.⁴

One offering was the National Gazette for November 7, 1792 (lot 323), which published the Washington address to Congress that alluded to the coinage of half dismes. This document sold for \$525. Legislative documents were also printed in 1792, and these too have collector appeal. A 1792 printing of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the United States, covering the deliberations leading to the Mint Act, sold in a Kolbe & Fanning sale in 2013.⁵

Spirited bidding pushed this document up to \$6500, demonstrating a strong market for all things 1792. While multiple copies of publications are generally available, 1792 also offers unique documents, such as the appointment of David Rittenhouse as Mint Director. Signed by both George Washington and Thomas Jefferson, and dated April 14, 1792, this document appeared at auction in 2011 and crossed the block at \$98,500.⁶ The document was subsequently exhibited at the Chicago ANA convention in 2013,⁷ and at other ANA events.



David Rittenhouse Mint Director Appointment, April 14, 1792.

Addenda II: Chronology of the First United States Mint, 1791-1792

1791

January 28. Alexander Hamilton’s treatise “On the Establishment of a Mint” is communicated to the House of Representatives. Hamilton proposes standards for the dollar in terms of gold and silver, and recommends coinage denominations.⁸

March 3. Congress passes a resolution to establish a national Mint, but fails to provide the necessary implementing components, including adequate funding.⁹

April 14. Hamilton writes to Thomas Jefferson regarding the engagement of Jean Pierre Droz as coiner for the Mint.¹⁰

July 8. Michael Shubart, distiller, appeals to Washington for assistance in the face of “loss and misfortune.” Shubart owned the property at 29 N. Seventh Street in Philadelphia that was eventually purchased by the federal government for the purposes of erecting the Mint.¹¹

October 25. Washington, in his Third Annual Address to Congress, advocates “...carrying into immediate effect the resolution already entered into concerning the establishment of a Mint.”¹²

October 31. The Senate forms a Mint Committee consisting of Robert Morris of Pennsylvania (likely chairman); Rufus King of New York; Ralph Izard of South Carolina; George Cabot of Massachusetts and John Henry of Maryland; and directs them to plan implementation of a federal Mint.¹³

November 1. The American Museum publishes Thomas Paine’s “Thoughts on the Establishment of a Mint in the United States.” Paine felt that the seigniorage on copper should easily offset the expenses of launching and operating the Mint.¹⁴ This essay also marks the first discussion of the fusible alloy and silver center cents.

December 21. Robert Morris leads Senate discussion during the first reading of the draft Mint Bill.¹⁵

December 26. The Mint Bill progresses to a second reading before the Senate.¹⁶

1792

January 6. The Mint Bill progresses to a third reading before the Senate.¹⁷

January 9. The Senate conducts the third reading of the proposed Mint Act. The “clasped hands” design for silver coinage is rejected, as is the “scale of justice” design for the copper coinage.¹⁸

January 12. The Senate passes its version of the Mint Act, requiring that a likeness of the sitting President be used on all coinage.¹⁹

March 24. The House of Representatives amends the Mint Act to remove the clause requiring a likeness of the President, and, “in lieu thereof, insert – ‘Emblematic of liberty, with an inscription of the word LIBERTY.’” The vote to remove the President’s image passed on a tally of 26-22.²⁰ The vote to add a representation “Emblematic of Liberty” passed 42-6. The Annals of Congress reports vigorous debate on the question of whether to use the President’s image on

the coinage.²¹ The National Gazette also indicates a spirited debate “of considerable length.”²²

March 26. The Senate disagrees with the House amendment, and returns it to the House. The House votes on whether to accept the Senate’s objection, and the motion to accept the objection fails by vote of 32-24.²³

March 27. The Senate is informed that the House will “adhere to their amendment to the bill,” and receives a signed, engrossed version of the bill from the House. The Senate thereupon agrees to the House amendment (more precisely, “RESOLVED, That the Senate recede from their disagreement to the said amendment”).²⁴

March 28. Mint bill signed by the Speaker of the House.²⁵

March 30. Mint bill signed by the Vice President of the United States. The Senate then sends the final version of the Mint Act to the President.²⁶

April 2. The President signs the Mint Act.²⁷

April 13. The President nominates David Rittenhouse to be Director of the Mint.²⁸ The original commissioning document was exhibited at the ANA Convention in Philadelphia in August, 2012.²⁹

April 13. Henry Voigt of Philadelphia petitions Washington for a position at the Mint (the formal appointment as chief coiner was granted on January 28, 1793).³⁰

April 18. William Barton, nephew of David Rittenhouse, unsuccessfully applies to Thomas Jefferson for the position of Mint Treasurer.³¹

May 3. Washington recommends to the Senate the appointment of Tristram Dalton as Treasurer of the Mint.³² On June 6, the Pennsylvania Gazette reports the appointment, which the Senate approves on May 4.

June 1. Henry Voigt is hired as an employee of the Mint but not yet appointed as an officer. The start date of Voigt’s employment is indicated by a payment of \$875 made on January 1 st , 1793 (representing seven months salary, at \$1500 per year).³³

June 9. Jefferson letter to Washington, recommending, on Rittenhouse’s advice, the purchase of the Seventh Street property. Jefferson recommends, also on the advice of Rittenhouse, the appointment of Henry Voigt as Chief Coiner.³⁴

June 9. Washington letter to Jefferson, indicating his sentiment in favor of acquiring the Seventh Street property. Apparently referring to the possibility of a Voigt appointment, Washington advises “That all the applications may be brought to view, and considered, for Coining & ca.; Mr. Lear [Washington’s secretary] will lay the letters and engravings before you, to be shewn to the Director of the Mint. I have no other object or wish in doing it that to obtain the best.”³⁵

June 14. Jefferson letter to Thomas Pinckney (U.S. Ambassador to Great Britain), requesting Pinckney to “endeavor...to engage” to send an Assayer and a “Chief-coiner and Engraver, in one person, if possible.” Jefferson closes, “Next to obtaining the ablest artists, a very important circumstance is to send them to us as soon as possible.”³⁶

June 15. Washington letter to Jefferson, expressing the desire to acquire “really skillful” artisans for the Mint, in Europe if necessary. Conversely, “I should be mortified to import men not more understanding in the business of Assaying, Engraving, and Coining than those who are already among us.”³⁷

June 16. Rittenhouse letter to Jefferson, soliciting Jefferson to request the President’s approval for the purchase of the Seventh Street property for the Mint.³⁸

June 17. Washington letter to Jefferson, indicating Washington’s approval of the proposed purchase of property for the Mint.³⁹ Washington presumes that the Attorney General (Edmund Randolph) will draw up the deed for the Mint property.

June 20. Jefferson letter to Washington, requesting \$10,000 funding for the Mint, \$4266.66 for the purchase of the Seventh Street property, \$5000 for fifteen tons of copper, and \$733.34 “on account for workmen &c.”⁴⁰

June 30. Tobias Lear letter to Jefferson. Lear (the President’s secretary) indicates “The President of the U.S. wishes the opinion of the Secry. of State whether the present chief Coiner of the Mint is properly authorized by the resolution of Congress passed on the 3d day of March 1791.”⁴¹ At this time, Voigt had not yet received the official appointment as Chief Coiner.

July 9. Rittenhouse letter to Washington, indicating that he has taken the oath of office as Director of the Mint. Solicits Washington’s approval for a several items: “...But as small money is very much wanted we think proper, in the mean time, if your Excellency approves of it, to Coin some Copper Cents & Half Cents, and likewise small Silver, at least Dimes & Half Dimes. I have purchased on account of the United

States, a House & Lot which I hope will be found convenient for the Mint, but considerable alterations must be made, and some small new buildings erected. I have likewise engaged Mr. Voight to act as Coiner, and he has several workmen now employed in making the necessary engines, and preparing the Dies. A quantity of copper will be wanted, perhaps 15 Tons might be sufficient, and measures for procuring it ought to be immediately taken, and for these several purposes some money will be required.”⁴²

July 9. Washington letter to Jefferson, asking him to draft a response to Rittenhouse expressing approval “of what the Director of the Mint has done, and is about to do...”⁴³

July 9. Jefferson letter to Washington, politely suggesting that a direct response from the President to Rittenhouse “would sometimes shorten business.”⁴⁴

July 9. Washington letter to Rittenhouse, expressing his approval for the purchase of the “house and lot for the Mint.” Also approves “of the employment of Henry Voight as the Coiner; of the procuring fifteen tons of Copper, and proceedings to coin the Cents and half Cents of Copper, and Dimes and half dimes of silver...”⁴⁵

July 10. Washington letter to Hamilton, requesting the Director of the Mint be paid \$10,000, as outlined in Jefferson’s letter of June 20.⁴⁶

July 11. Jefferson’s Memorandum Book indicating a deposit at the Mint - “Delivd. 75. D. at the mint to be coined.”⁴⁷ As the Seventh Street property had not yet been purchased, this “mint” location is believed to be John Harper’s workshop at Sixth & Cherry Streets.

July 11. Washington leaves Philadelphia for Mount Vernon, arriving six days later.⁴⁸

July 13. Jefferson’s Memorandum Book indicating receipt of the Mint coinage – “Recd. from the mint 1500. half dimes of the new coinage.” The next entry indicates “Set out for Monticello.”⁴⁹

Over the next several weeks, the account book records an unusual number of 5-cent denominated transactions.

July 18. The deed for the Mint property, purchased from Frederick Hailer, “surgeon barber,” and his wife Christiana, is signed on this day.⁵⁰ While the deed is dated July 18, Rittenhouse had purchased the property a few days earlier on the government’s account (see July 9 entry).

July 19. The Mint begins “work at taking down the still-house” at the Seventh Street property.⁵¹

July 31. The foundation stone for the Mint is laid: “This day, about 10 o’clock in the forenoon, the foundation stone was laid for the Mint by David Rittenhouse, Esq.” Foundation work began immediately – “Four masons at work since 10 o’clock A. M.”⁵²

August 25. The foundation of the Mint is complete, and the framework is raised.⁵³

August 29. A warrant is drawn to pay John Harper for “cuttings, presses, castings,” in the amount of \$217.85. A second warrant for \$34.42 appears on September 1.⁵⁴

September 7. Mint workmen commence operations “in the shop.”⁵⁵

September 11. The first purchase of copper for coinage occurs, 6 pounds at “1s. 3d.” per pound.⁵⁶

September 20. The Mint places a notice in Dunlap’s American Daily Advertiser, indicating “the highest price will be given for old copper at the Mint.”

September 21. Coining presses arrive at the Mint.⁵⁷

October 1. Jefferson and Washington met at Mount Vernon on this day. This is their first meeting since the half dismes were struck in July, but there is no documentation indicating the transfer of coinage.⁵⁸

October 9. Dye’s Coin Encyclopedia reports that half dismes are struck at the Mint on this day. While Dye’s source is not given, it is most likely the Voigt account book previously quoted by Snowden (see entries for August 25, September 7).⁵⁹

October 15. Jefferson’s draft for sections of Washington’s upcoming Congressional address, indicating “measures have been taken for engaging some artists from abroad to aid in the establishment of our mint; others have been employed at home; provision has been made of the requisite buildings, and these are now putting into proper condition for the purposes of the establishment. There has been also a small beginning in the coinage of the half dismes and Cents, the want of small coins in circulation calling our first attentions to them.”⁶⁰ The clause “and Cents” was later stricken from the address, see entry for November 6.

October 20. In a letter from George Washington to Thomas Jefferson, Washington notes that the Post

Office, as a branch of revenue, was annexed to the Treasury during the Confederation government. The letter concludes “...[as] the Mint does not appertain to the Department of Treasury I am more inclined to add it to that of state than to multiply the duties of the other.”⁶¹

November 6. Washington’s fourth annual address to Congress, in which he states, “...measures have been taken for engaging some artists from abroad to aid in the establishment of our mint; others have been employed at home. Provision has been made for the requisite buildings, and these are now putting into proper condition for the purposes of the establishment. There has also been a small beginning in the coinage of half-dismes; the want of small coins in circulation calling the first attention to them.”⁶²

November 16. Jefferson writes to Washington. “Th: Jefferson has the honor to submit to the inspection of the President a set of copper promissory notes, and coins, made by Boulton, the superiority of which over any thing we can do here, will fully justify our wish to set our mint agoing on that plan. – They are obscured by the sea-air.”⁶³

November 27. Rittenhouse writes to Jefferson, advising that the \$10,000 appropriated earlier in the year is nearly exhausted, and asking for a warrant for \$5,000. “The works are now nearly completed and a particular account of the Expences shall be made out as soon as the several Bills can be got in and paid.”⁶⁴

November 28. Tobias Lear writes to Jefferson, informing that the President is agreeable to the request for \$5,000, and “has therefore drawn the enclosed order for five thousand dollars to be applied to the purposes of the mint...”⁶⁵

November 28. Rittenhouse writes to Jefferson, suggesting that “Perhaps 30 or 40 Tons” of copper be imported from Sweden. “There is now in the Mint f or 5 Tons of old Copper and more may be expected tho’ I think not in any great quantity. Some dependence may likewise be placed on the produce of the American Mines.”⁶⁶

November 29. Washington writes to Jefferson, requesting Jefferson to search for a supply of copper in Europe. “It having been represented by the Director of the Mint, that the late rise in the price of Copper, and difficulty of obtaining it, render it impossible that the quantity authorized to be procured can be had, unless some part of it be imported by the United States...”⁶⁷

December 17. Voigt's account book reports "struck off a few pieces of copper coin."⁶⁸

December 18. Jefferson writes to Washington, "Th: Jefferson has the honor to send the President 2 Cents made on Voigt's plan, by putting a silver plug worth $\frac{3}{4}$ of a cent into a copper worth $\frac{1}{4}$ of a cent. Mr. Rittenhouse is about to make a few by mixing the same plug by fusion with the same quantity of copper. He will then make of copper alone of the same size, and lastly he will make the real cent, as ordered by Congress, four times as big, specimens of these several ways of making the cent will be delivered to the Committee of Congress now having that subject before them."⁶⁹

December 27. Rittenhouse writes to Tobias Lear, "We have begun to Assay some of the European Coins, and shall proceed tomorrow, at the Mint, if it will be convenient for the President to attend about 12 oClock. Should any accident happen before that time to occasion delay, I will give you notice."⁷⁰

December 28. Tobias Lear, the secretary of President Washington, "by the President's order," gives two dollars "to the Men at the Mint."⁷¹

December 29. Rittenhouse letter to Jefferson, asking Jefferson to request Ambassador Pinckney to procure \$10,000 worth of copper in Europe, "either from Sweden or elsewhere. The copper to be in sheets not less than one eighth of an inch in thickness, as most suitable for coinage."⁷²

A clipping from *Coin World* June 25, 1969:

COIN WORLD

Taxay Report Confirms Billon Cent Of 1792

Numismatists have long been aware of the possible existence of a 1792 billon cent distinct from the 1792 small copper cent designed and made by Henry Voigt, chief coiner and early die-sinker for the U. S. Mint, according to Harmer, Rooke Numismatists, Ltd., New York City. Both varieties, together with the famous Voigt silver-center cent, were struck on December 17, 1792, at Philadelphia, according to a firm spokesman.

Possibility of new research on this fascinating issue developed recently when the finer of the two collectible Voigt copper cents was consigned to Harmer, Rooke Numismatists, Ltd., for their million dollar autumn auction.

In his book on patterns, Dr. J. Hewitt Judd identified a number of apparently copper specimens, but none of billon. He assumed that chemical determination could not be made without destroying a specimen.

The coin had every appearance of being pure copper, but, acting on a hunch, D. Paul (Don) Taxay had it tested in the new Harmer, Rooke research laboratory. He discovered that it was indeed made of billon, a combination of silver and copper.

Taxay, who is president of Harmer, Rooke Numismatists and a leading numismatic historian, reasoned that the silver content, over the years, had probably been leached from the coin's surface, making the billon specimen look like a copper one.

Taxay is urging the owners of the three other Voigt "copper" cents to make similar tests so that a new pedigree-attribution can be made for the issue.

The billon Voigt cent will be displayed in the new, soon-to-be-opened Harmer, Rooke Galleries at 604 Fifth avenue, New York, until it goes under the hammer in the late fall. Various authorities have estimated its value at around \$20,000.



The newly authenticated billon cent, 1792.

Mint Official Taking Part In European Tour

Miss Eva Adams, director of the Mint, expected to arrive back in Washington June 22 after participating in the Women's Press club and Newspaper Women's Club study tour to eastern Europe.

Miss Adams, who is combining business and pleasure on the trip, although she paid her own expenses, hoped to visit at least six Mints during the tour which began June 1. "This is my vacation!" she smiled.

Miss Adams said before her departure at Baltimore's Friendship she planned to pay her respects to Mint masters in London, Warsaw, Moscow, Belgrade, Vienna and Prague, (Kremnica) and hopefully to inspect their minting facilities. Miss Adams made a seven-nation official Mint tour with members of her staff in 1967.

Miss Adams and the new newspaper women on the current tour had a dinner meeting with the Women Press Club of London following an afternoon briefing at the U.S. embassy.

June 3 they left for Warsaw; three days later they were in Leningrad and Moscow. In addition to sightseeing and briefing sessions in Moscow the group had an evening at the theater.

After two days in Sofia, the

party went to Belgrade and then to Budapest. A hydrofoil trip on the Danube took them to Vienna. On June 20, the tour was scheduled to arrive in Prague. The trip home was via Paris with arrival at the Dules International Airport June 22.

Miss Adams said before her departure that she made the decision to take the trip with the press when she learned there would be sufficient time to pay her respects at the Royal Mint in London, the Osterreichisches Hauptmünzamt, Vienna; the Mint in Belgrade; the Biuletyn Numizmatyczny, Warsaw; the Leningrad Mint and the Kremnica State Mint in Czechoslovakia.

Watch Features

Half Dollar Face

"Time and a half" is the advertising specialist description to a new kind of watch put on the market just in time for Father's Day.

The time piece has for a face a "Mint-condition half dollar" according to the advertisements. "Add to it the value of a 17-jewel ticking under it," they continued. The hands move around the reverse of the coin. Prices are \$35 each. Many department stores were stocking the numismatic watches.

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